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REFERN MASON SCORES LATEST HERNDON ORDER

EMERGENCY CALL TO SAVE NEGRO LEADER GETS QUICK RESPONSE

Three Objectives
SIGNATURES, FUNDS AND PROTESTS NEEDED TO CONTINUE FIGHT

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 17.—Instantly responding to the emergency call announcing that the U. S. Supreme Court had refused to review the case of Angelo Herndon, and had ordered him to surrender to Georgia authorities on Oct. 24, scores of organizations here and in the East have swung into action behind the protest movement.

The United Labor Campaign Committee for a Labor Ticket in the coming Municipal elections, took immediate action when news was received. Redfern Mason, president of the Northern California Newspaper Guild and candidate for Mayor on the Labor Ticket, instantly wired the U. S. Supreme Court in the name of the Committee, demanding that they review the case. He likewise telegraphed Governor Tamm of Georgia, urging that he use his powers to free Herndon.

*** Relief Demonstration.**
Herndon, a young Negro organizer of the unemployed, was arrested for leading a relief demonstration in Georgia. He was indicted on an ancient "slave revolt" law and railroaded to a sentence of 18 to 20 years on the notorious Georgia chain-gangs.

Redfern Mason, in response to news of the U. S. Supreme Court's refusal, stated:

*** Declared a Challenge.**
"The presence of even one prisoner in the U. S. jails who was convicted, not for crime, but for political or working class activity, is a violation and mockery of every principle of freedom and justice for which our forefathers laid down their lives in an effort to establish. In California alone, we have Mooney, Billings, the eight Criminal Syndicalism prisoners and many others. The case of Angelo Herndon is an insult and a challenge to every decent minded citizen. If such injustices as this can be enacted, then we are a long way from the goal toward which the signers of the Declaration of Independence aspired."

Churches, fraternal groups and all sympathetic individuals are being quickly mobilized by the International Labor Defense. There are three main objectives in the drive: (1) To complete signature lists and get them to the International Labor Defense, 80 East 11th street, New York City, before Oct. 24. (2) Funds to carry on the

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Hetchy Project Betrayal Laid At Rossi's Door

Redfern Mason



Labor Ticket Candidate for Mayor, President of Northern Cal. Newspaper Guild (Union).

STATEMENTS ON HERNDON CASE

Georgia Railroad Scored by Nine Opinions

NEW YORK, Oct. 16.—The following are among the hundreds of statements made by prominent Americans affirming their confidence in the innocence of Angelo Herndon, whose case the U. S. Supreme Court has just refused to review:

CONGRESSMAN J. H. HOEPEL.
"I am satisfied that Angelo Herndon did not receive a just deal."

CONGRESSMAN FRED HILDEBRANDT.
"In my opinion, a verdict rendered under a 'slave insurrection' law of Georgia must, under the circumstances, be considered inhuman and un-American."

WILLIAM PICKENS.
"Not only Angelo Herndon, but every man and woman, black and white, should enter the fight to see that he is not imprisoned."

NORMAN THOMAS.
"He must be pardoned for the honor of America. It is of peculiar interest that workers should rally to his defense. His cause is our cause."

JOHN L. SPIVAK.
"I know Georgia chain-gangs. And I know just how vicious the officials of the State of Georgia can be. The sentence against Angelo Herndon means only one thing. It means death."

LEE E. GEYER.
Assemblyman, 6th District, Calif.
"All real Americans, regardless of race or creed, should demand the repeal of the law and the release of Herndon."

JOHN P. DAVIS.
Secretary, Joint Committee for National Recovery.
"American citizens who have

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SOLD OUT THE PEOPLE TO THE PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

Framers of Mooney

DAILY NEWS MAKES ABOUT FACE AND SUPPORTS HEARST'S ROSSI

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18.—Complicity of Hearst's Rossi in selling out the interests of the people of San Francisco and delivering the giant public Hetchy water system into the profiteering hands of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company was bitterly scored by William Sanders, candidate for supervisor on the Labor Ticket, in a radio speech last Tuesday night.

* Mooney Framers.

The Pacific Gas and Electric Company, huge capitalist monopolists with a controlling finger in almost every industry of the state, is the firm which engineered the railroad of Tom Mooney. They also were the instigators of the "Associated Farmers", an organization of bankers and wealthy packers, which financed and carried through the railroad of the eight Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism prisoners.

Speaking over Station KGGC in one of the nightly Labor Ticket broadcasts between 7:15 and 7:30 o'clock, Sanders, who is a member of the Ornamental Iron Workers' Union, declared: "It was just ten years last June when the electric power from this vast project was handed to the P. G. & E. for two million dollars, which was \$165,000 less than it cost the city to produce."

* Illegal Deal.

"A short time ago, Secretary of Interior Ickes declared this sell-out illegal—that it was in violation of the Raker Act. This throws the matter back into the lap of the city and the problem must be solved within the next year."

Sanders also scored the present support of Hearst's Rossi given by the SAN FRANCISCO NEWS. He attacked the hypocrisy of this support by reading from an editorial which appeared in the SAN FRANCISCO NEWS on June 20, 1925, condemning Rossi as a betrayer of the people. The editorial read:

"The people of San Francisco have been sold out."

"They spent \$55,000,000 and 15 years building a tremendous water and power project in the mountains."

"Today, the people's project was turned over, lock, stock and barrel to the Power Trust."

"The people of San Francisco, who spent their millions for cheap water and cheap electricity"

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GUILTY VERDICT AGAINST THREE IN GALLUP TRIAL

SENTENCED TO 45 TO 60 YEARS AT HARD LABOR, APPEAL TAKEN

Seven Not Guilty

TRIAL PROVED DEPUTIES KILLED TWO WORKERS AND SHERIFF

Aztec, N. M., Oct. 17.—After three and a half hours deliberation, the jury in the trial of ten Gallup workers charged with murder as a result of the death of Sheriff Carmichael, returned a verdict of guilty in the second degree against three defendants, Ochoa, Avitia and Velarde, with recommendation for clemency.

This morning Ochoa, Avitia, and Velarde were sentenced to 45 to 60 years at hard labor. Bond was set at \$25,000. Defense filed notice of appeal. The judge scored Reds, Anarchists, and Communists who dared protest this frame-up. Manuel and T. R. Montoya are still held on contempt charges while Mrs. Ochoa was released on her own recognizance on the same charge, for their protests against the frame-up.

* The remaining seven defendants were found not guilty but are still held on the charge of aiding a prisoner to escape. The defense will attempt to have the latter charge dismissed since it was incorporated in the trial for murder.

* Result of Prejudice.

The verdict was clearly the result of prejudice aroused against the defendants. Evidence brought out at the trial clearly established that an orderly crowd of workers, mostly women and children, came to the trial of Esiquio Navarro, evicted by the Gallup Coal Co. from the house he built, was denied admission, and after the hearing flooded into an alley way to see Navarro leave the court

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Brady Plans New Mooney Case in Scaler Frame-Up

LEO GALLAGHER APPEARS IN DEFENSE OF FOUR HELD FOR 'MURDER'

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18.—A new Mooney-Billings frame-up is being attempted here, and this time the initiative comes from the Industrial Association and District Attorney Matthew Brady—who is seeking re-election to the office in November.

Four members of the Ship Scalers' Union, Archie Brown, Julio Canales, Francisco Jimenez and Natalio Velle, were to appear for arraignment on framed charges of murder in Superior Judge Jack's court at 10 o'clock this morning.

The International Labor Defense, with Leo Gallagher as attorney, is defending the workers, whose arrest came after the death of a member of the union of injuries received when he fell from a second story window of the Scalers' Union hall during an attempt by armed thugs to disrupt a meeting several weeks ago.

* Three Dismissed.

Three other Scalers, who also had asked the I.L.D. to defend them, were cleared of phoney charges of "assault to do great bodily harm," when the case against them was dismissed on Tuesday, for lack of evidence.

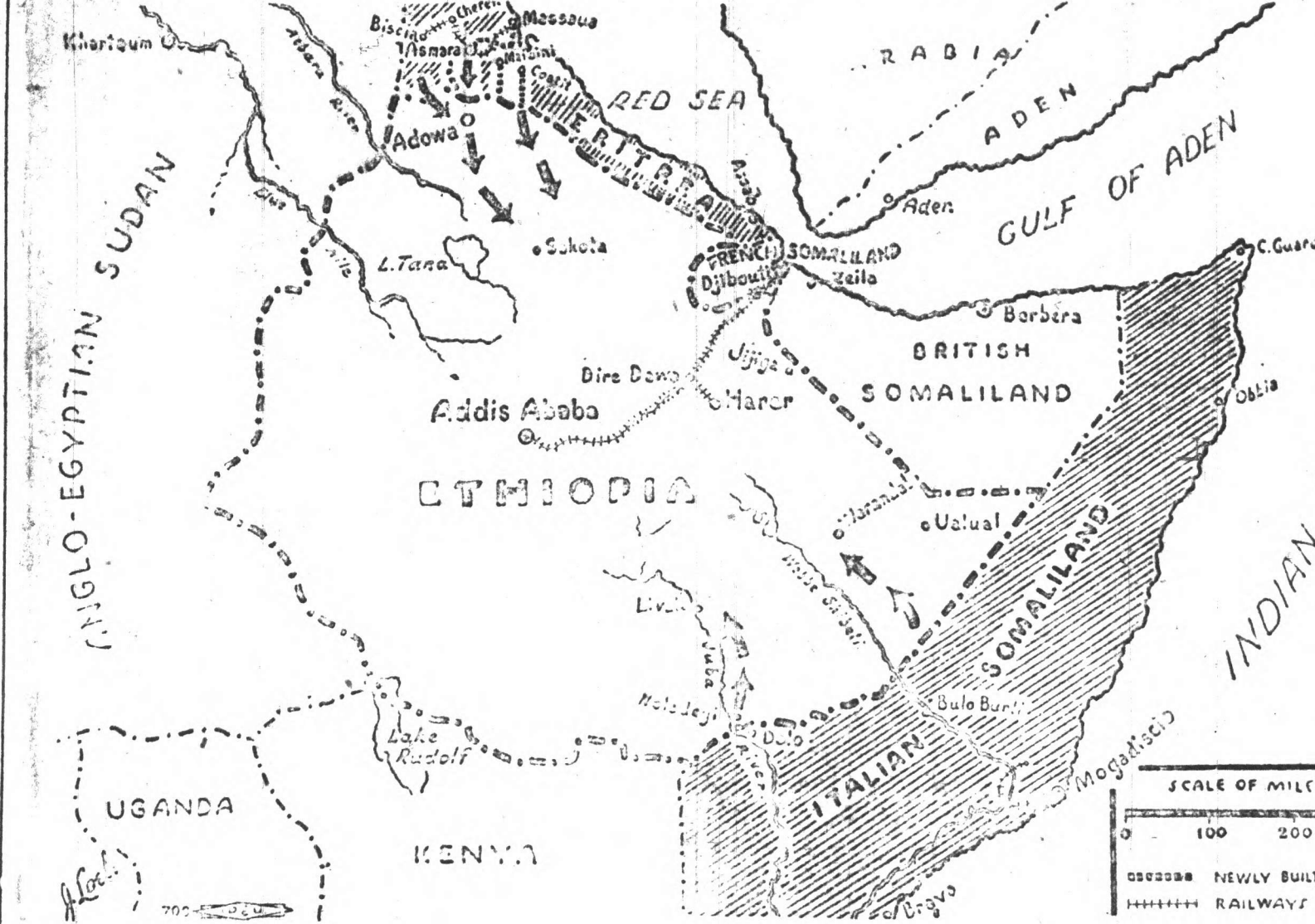
Meanwhile several others are being held to answer on a similar framed-up charge. All charges grew out of the original fight in the union hall, which in turn resulted from an attempt by employers to smash the militant union.

At a coroner's inquest Tuesday,

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ITALY "OUTLAW NATION"—A.F.L. BRITAIN, FRANCE IN CLASH

WE MUST DRIVE THE FASCIST INVADERS OUT!



EMPLOYERS ASK SEAMEN TO SCAB

Crews Refuse to Sail On Ships Bound for Strike Areas

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 17.—Shipowners here continued on the offensive in attempting to make strikebreakers of union seamen, pending arrival of hot cargo from the strike-locked Gulf Coast area.

Three ships today remained tied up on the Pacific Coast. At Seattle shipowners were unable to hire a crew for the S.S. Point Calista, bound for British Columbia where seabs are working the docks and union longshoremen have been out on strike for more than four months.

The General M. H. Sherman is idle in San Pedro. Seamen refused to load a cargo of scabby Standard Oil fuel, which since the Tanker Strike, has been on the unfair list. The Point Ancha, bound for the Gulf where shipowners are working finks under armed police guard, also was idle at San Pedro. Seamen, it is reported, have refused to take the ship to the strike area.

* Ask Federal "Aid."

Shipowners have appealed to various and sundry officials for support in their attempts to break the militancy and solidarity of the West Coast maritime workers. They have wired for Federal intervention and also have asked National A. F. of L. President Green for more of the same kind of assistance he rendered them during the strike of 1934.

Meanwhile, with the exception of the Sailors' Union of the Pacific, seamen were voting on renewing the present agreement, plus arbitration of amendments to the award suggested months ago by the seamen and denied by the shipowners.

At its regular membership meeting this week the Sailors' Union headquarters branch here voted to support the longshoremen if and when the Gulf cargo issue becomes paramount.

Unconfirmed reports declared a Luckenbach ship with scab-loaded cargo from the Gulf was due in San Pedro today. Shipowners, through T. G. Plant here, however, had announced the ship's arrival had been delayed approximately 15 days.

The employers have requested a meeting of the Seamen's Labor Relations Committee. They pose five questions which they intend to ask the workers. All have to do with working ships or cargo either arriving from or sailing to

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East Bay Labor Body Endorses Anti-War Moves

CLERKS, MECHANICS TELL OF PROGRESS; N. S. L. HELPS JANITORS

(Alameda County Central Labor Council.)

OAKLAND, Oct. 15.—A number of progressive motions were adopted at last night's session of the Alameda County Central Labor Council. The Continuations Committee of the Labor Party (Alameda County) sent in a resolution demanding union wages be paid on WPA relief jobs. This resolution was adopted by the Council.

The Council went on record as endorsing the Bay Region Conference in San Francisco, Nov. 29 to Dec. 1, called by the American League Against War and Fascism, and also endorsed their mass meeting scheduled for Nov. 10th in the city Auditorium Theater.

The body also urged that all unions take the same action that the San Francisco district of the Maritime Federation took and refuse to handle all war materials.

* From Seattle.

A communication from the Seattle Central Labor Council, urging a boycott on products of the Fisher Flour Mills was read and concurred in. A list of their products was ordered printed in the East Bay Labor Journal, official organ of the Council.

* A Scab Job.

A booklet, published jointly by the county supervisors and the Chamber of Commerce, was

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GREEN LOSES ON ANTI-RED ISSUE

Lewis Heads Liberals In Fight Against Reactionaries

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 17.—Smashing defeat of the Red-baiting policy backed by President William Green and his official cohorts was administered today by John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers, backed by progressive liberal, industrial union and Communist delegates to the A. F. of L. Convention meeting here.

Lewis, who already had forced Matthew Woll to resign from the anti-labor National Civic Federation, declared that while he was not in accord with Communism he objected to any attitude which might be interpreted as intolerant and antagonistic to liberal or even radical development within the A. F. of L.

Consequently Green and Woll were unable to muster the necessary two-thirds majority in favor of their resolution advocating expulsion of Communists—the council to decide who is a Communist.

* Industrial Unions Lose.

Industrial unionism was defeated for another year at least, however, by the reactionary elements at the Convention. After a six-hour battle, the resolution favoring industrial organization as against the old-time craft unionism, lost by a vote of 18,025 to 10,924.

Earlier this week, President A. O. Wharton of the International Association of Machinists announced to the Convention that an agreement had at last been

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AUSTRIA IN CRISIS AS ANGLO-FRENCH FIGHT FOR POWER GROWS

Japan Branded Liar

REACTIONARY SOCIALISTS VOTE DOWN COMINTERN PLEA FOR UNITY

HIGHLIGHTS

ALEXANDRIA—More than 1000 British war planes massed at air base near here.

LONDON—Italy retaliates in economic war, banning all but American films.

ETHIOPIA—Thousands of gassed and dum-dum casualties reported by American doctor with Red Cross.

MOSCOW—Sharp statement on Japanese border raid in Manchuria.

VIENNA—Serious political crisis as war policy splits government.

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 17.—The American Federation of Labor convention here has gone on record denouncing Italy and declaring her "an outlaw nation."

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 17.—When 150 pickets marched all day at the docks here this week protesting the arrival of the Italian ship, Cellini, the vessel was forced to change its course and prepared to dock at Olympia.

Action against the war ship came after the Marine Firemen first and the Central Labor Council later, had passed resolutions favoring prevention of the docking of the ship here.

Pickets militantly strode the docks, despite a driving rain.

GENEVA, Oct. 16.—The application of the proposed embargo on important war materials is complicated by the fact that the United States supplies Italy with oil, coal and copper, none of which are on President Roosevelt's embargo list.

MOSCOW, Oct. 15.—Reactionary leaders of the Socialist and Labor parties of Holland, Sweden, Great Britain, Denmark and Czechoslovakia were instrumental in voting down the Comintern's pro-

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Labor Council at San Diego Okehs C.S. Repeal Meet

\$25 DONATED TO DEFENSE FUND FOR MOONEY AND MODESTO VICTIMS

SAN DIEGO, Oct. 17.—The Federated Trades and Labor Council endorsed the Conference for the Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law at its regular meeting here Wednesday night. Secretary Rogers was elected a delegate to the Congress meeting scheduled in Los Angeles, Sunday, Oct. 20.

A request from the secretary of the Congress that Rogers be sent to address the meeting was endorsed unanimously.

Twenty-five dollars was donated to the defense fund for the Mooney-Billings and the Modesto frame-up cases. Action came upon the reading of a letter from the State Federation. The 'Old Guard' represented by Donnelly of the Musicians, and others, fought the move which carried, however, by a final vote of 48 to 5.

Secretary Rogers reported on the manner in which City Manager Flack had lied to himself and Brothers Mehl and Smith. Mr. Flack was brought across the continent from Durham, N. C., to serve as City Manager at the "meager" salary of \$15,000 a year.

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Educator Ordered to Leave

Deportation Sought For Supporting Union Labor

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 16.—Protest over the attempted deportation of James Branch, prominent San Francisco laborite and long a resident of this country, are expected to be carried to the floor of the British House of Commons. The Independent Labor Party in England has taken up the fight and is reported as having instructed its representatives in the House of Commons to bring the matter to issue.

Branch was arrested more than a year ago by immigration authorities after it had been noted that, as a speaker before numerous working class and liberal groups, he had urged support of

the striking maritime workers and aided in the collection of funds for strike relief. He was released on bail furnished by the International Labor Defense.

* Immediate Surrender Ordered.

Matters remained pending until last Monday, Oct. 14, when Branch's bondsmen were instructed to deliver him to authorities for immediate deportation. He is ordered to surrender on Oct. 21 to depart on a deportation train for Galveston, Tex., from which port he is to be sent to the British West Indies, his place of birth.

The I.L.D. immediately filed notice of a writ of habeas corpus and has issued a call for protests to be sent to Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins in Washington, D. C.

Marxian Student and Lecturer Feared By Exploiters

Marxian student and ardent spokesman for the rights of labor, Branch has been prominent in working class political life here for many years. He was director and instructor at the San Francisco Workers' School and delivered scores of lectures on Marxism and current history.

Twelve years a resident of the United States, he is married to a native San Francisco girl, a teacher in the public schools. The attempt to send him out of the country is solely because of his uncompromising support of the labor movement. It is one of the scores of deportation cases now pending throughout the country.

BRITISH AND FRENCH CLASH ON SANCTIONS POLICY; AUSTRIA IN CRISIS; PROTESTS WIDESPREAD

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posal for an anti-war united front agreement with the Second International. This was characterized by Pravda today as "strike-breaking conduct." The fight for unity of action will be carried on.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 17.—

Major factors in the war situation remain the tug-of-war between France and Great Britain, with each manipulating League forces to bring pressure directed to make the other conform. Actual sanctions seem far off as action is postponed continuously. Great Britain has issued a sharp statement objecting to Laval's suggestion that the outside units of the British fleet be withdrawn from the Mediterranean as a peace gesture to Mussolini. Laval on the other hand will not give way on the question of using military force or even ruthless economic measures against Italy, and he seeks full guarantees against Germany's possible war acts. Austria therefore shows signs of a major political crisis as British, French, and Italian pressure

reflects itself in a government split.

ROME, Oct. 17.—The leading newspapers today hinted at the emergency nature of recent British military and naval moves, and declare that League sanctions create a situation that may crystallize at any moment in acts of war. The 1906 class of men is mobilized, and special conferences on the food situation are being held.

ADDIS ABABA, Oct. 17.—A

huge mobilization of troops here was made today, and an army numbering 115,000 are starting for the front under the command of the Minister of War. So far no bombs have fallen here, and foreign residents are clustered together for mutual safety. Reports state that three more towns were heavily bombed by Italian planes yesterday, and list many chlorine gas and dum-dum bullet victims. Italian forces in the North are consolidating their positions in readiness for a further thrust, while huge armies are reported coming to grips both in the North and the South.

C. S. CONFERENCE BACKED BY S. D. LABOR COUNCIL

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His selection was favored by the former officials of the Council.

★ Thank Hornblower.

Brother Walter Barnes moved that a letter of complimenting Assemblyman Hornblower for his militant stand at the recent State Highway Patrolmen's Convention be sent him. It was then suggested that a letter of criticism be sent Assemblyman Fletcher for his anti-labor stand at the same convention.

Brother Barnes added: "I will include that we throw a brick at Fletcher, too." This carried unanimously and the secretary was instructed to leave the brick.

The Council went on record overwhelmingly against endorsement of the Community Chest drive now in progress. Daisy Lee Worcester of the Teachers' Union Secretary Rogers, Hays of the Electrical Workers, Bill Coffrey of the Mail Carriers and others talked against endorsement. Donnelly of the Musicians and Heitman, erstwhile Council president, of course, favored endorsement, obviously for political and personal reasons.

The projected Labor Radio Broadcasting station fostered by the Los Angeles Central Labor Council reactionaries, was again endorsed. Not however, until Brother Lydick declared that under its present leadership, the Los Angeles Council did not need a radio station. Lydick pointed out that the Los Angeles Examiner and the Times afforded the reactionaries sufficient avenue for their publicity.

Rank and file delegates smiled knowingly when Brother Ed Dowell remained perfectly quiet for what amounted to about the third consecutive meeting.

The United Labor Campaign Committee
Invites You to Join in the

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FEAST, FROLIC and FLING YOUR FEET
to the Militant Melodies of the
"WATERFRONT TROUBADOURS"

DRUIDS' HALL, 44 PAGE STREET. 8 O'CLOCK OCTOBER 19TH

Entire Proceeds
UNITED LABOR CAMPAIGN FUND

C. S. Congress In L. A. Meets Sunday, Oct. 20

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 18.—

Sixty-three organizations, including 32 trade unions and farmers' organizations, have so far reported their intention to participate in the Southern California Congress for repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law, to be held all day Sunday, Oct. 20, at the Danish Auditorium, 1359 W. 24th st., near Hoover st.

The keynote speaker will be Harry Steinmetz, president of the San Diego Labor Council. Besides the repeal of the anti-labor C. S. Law, and the freedom of the eight Sacramento C. S. victims, the Congress will discuss the present attempt to frame-up Charles M. Lauchlan, Communist Party member in Santa Ana, and other anti-labor and vigilante movements in California at the present time.

Scab Appeals of Dealers Spurned By Auto Strikers

ARBITRATION REFUSED BY EMPLOYERS AS STRIKE IS DEADLOCKED

SAN BERNARDINO, Oct. 17.—The American League Against War and Fascism, in accordance with a state-wide plan, has announced a huge demonstration for Nov. 11, Armistice Day, according to the Rev. George E. Schuchard, president of the San Bernardino chapter.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—Plans for a Fifth Avenue march of anti-war forces on Oct. 26 were made by 150 enthusiastic delegates to a conference called by the American League Against War and Fascism.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—The New York branch of the International Seamen's Union has adopted a resolution against war and against sailing "on any ship chartered for Italy, Britain, or Italian Somaliland or any war zone."

LONDON, Oct. 16.—The Communist Party of Great Britain has issued a statement warning the working class that the struggle for sanctions against Italian fascism must be sharply distinguished from support of imperialist interests whose policy leads them to temporarily support sanctions. It further states that the Labor Party policy is precisely that of the British government, and is to be condemned for not organizing independent working class anti-war campaigns, for not exposing the imperialist aims of the National Government, for not protesting against the Committee of Five carving up Ethiopia in a "backstairs agreement."

MARINE FIREMEN FAVOR SPECIAL MARITIME MEET

WILL BALLOT ON SUPPORT TO LONGSHOREMEN

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18.—Marine Firemen last night voted to conduct a coast-wide ballot of the organization on the question of supporting the longshoremen in case they are locked out over the issue of Gulf cargo, which soon is to arrive here from that strike area.

They also voted overwhelmingly in favor of holding the Maritime Federation special convention as soon as possible. The question of hot cargo and of building further unity between maritime workers will be a main point on the agenda of the convention.

A complete list of nominees for officials of the union to serve the forthcoming year was put up. Earl King, present rank and file secretary of the Firemen, was nominated for another term. Five delegates were chosen to represent the organization at the International Seamen's Union Convention to be held some time in January, 1936.

As a further step in coordinating the work of the different I. S. U. organizations, the Firemen last night voted that the I. S. U. District Committee now being formed, be given supervision over job action on the ships. This does not mean, however, that the ship's committees are to be tied as to initiative, but only that the District Committee will serve as a co-ordinating agency.

A delegate to the United Labor Campaign Committee, to replace one who had shipped out, also was chosen.

Union members: Raise the question of having your delegate to the Central Labor Council support recognition of unemployed organizations.

Hearst's Rossi Power Sell-Out

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ty, have been betrayed by a group on the Board of Supervisors that is led by Boss Ralph McLean, landlord for the Pacific Gas and Electric Co., and contractor for the Fleishacker Power Trust interests.

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"The people will never forget. They will not forget that Boss Ralph McLean, ANGELO ROSSI, Margaret Mary Morgan, Frank Robb, John Wetmore, John McGregor, Eugene Schmitz, J. Emmett Hayden, Edwin Bath, William Harrelson

ALAMEDA LABOR COUNCIL HEARS CLERKS' GAINS

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brought in and an article "Capital and Labor," was read. This article stated that 91 per cent of industry here is run on an open shop basis and urged this as an inducement for industry to locate here.

The Labor Council branded this as a lie and demands its retraction, and also protests the scab printing that turned out this pamphlet.

★ Clerks Make Progress.

The Grocery Clerks' Union reported they now have 25 large stores signed up 100 per cent and their membership is growing very rapidly. The Retail Clerks declared the entire personnel of the B. Simon Hardware Co., some 20 employees, joined this week. Also ten men clerks in J. C. Penney Store are now 100 per cent in the union and the women clerks will be as soon as the agreement on working conditions is completed.

The Auto Mechanics' Union announced a very rigid growth since the advent of the strike in San Francisco. The entire Pacard shop joined this week.

★ Jobless Union.

The delegate from the Public Works and Unemployed Union announced one of their members has been forbidden to organize on the Benton Air Field, a WPA project, "because this is government property." He said a committee will visit the project tomorrow (Tues., Oct. 15—Ed.) to investigate and protest.

The Dried Fruit and Nut Packers' Union reported their membership is now 1200. This union is only six months old. It recently won a strike in the Rosenberg Packing Co. plant here.

★ University Students.

The National Students League offered to help the Janitors and Window Cleaners' Window to organize the janitors at the University of California in Berkeley. The delegate from this union thanked the students and announced a meeting for that purpose has been arranged for next Saturday.

S.F. Communist Party Dance Sunday Night

A Dance and Entertainment for the benefit of the San Francisco Section of the Communist Party is to be held at 779 Vallejo street this Sunday night at 8:00 o'clock. Your support is called for and bring all the friends you know. Let's make this a real dance and social.

San Francisco Labor Ticket Headquarters

The following headquarters have been opened by the United Labor Campaign Committee:

MAIN OFFICE: 747 Market st. (Phone: Sutter 4657.) OTHERS: 68 Haight st. (Hemlock 0550.) 60 Commercial st. (Sutter 4658.)

2343 Market st.
1846 Union st.
1350 Grant ave.
2810 Diamond st.
5051 Geary st.
2534 San Bruno.
354 Third st.
779 Vallejo.
1039 Grant ave.
402 Courtland st.
1430 Buchanan st.
644 Laguna st.
2916 - 24th st.
2322 Mission st.
505 Divisadero st.

and Jesse Colman SOLD THEM OUT."

Despite the fact that no deed of Rossi's since this time would indicate he was in any way clanged, the SAN FRANCISCO NEWS has seen fit to make a right about face and is now booming Rossi for re-election. On the same page with the editorial appeared a cartoon of Rossi with a rope around his neck.

When the vote of the people booted Rossi out of Supervisor's office in that year, the SAN FRANCISCO NEWS hailed it as "The People's Victory," and "The People have spoken."

SEAMEN SUPPORT LONGSHOREMEN IN GULF STRIKE

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ports where it is certain they have been worked or will be worked by scabs.

Appeals for aid were also sent by shipowners to the reactionary Victor A. Olander, secretary of the International Seamen's Union and one of the officials who ordered the seamen here to restate Paul Scharrerberg after he had been expelled from the union by an overwhelming majority vote, because of his anti-union activities.

San Francisco docks were comparatively quiet. Longshoremen were working all ships and discussions before the Longshore Labor Relations Committee on whether or not the dispatching hall should be forced to reassign more than 1000 additional workers, were continued.

★ New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 17.—Very few ships were being loaded in any Gulf port, from Pensacola, Fla., to Corpus Christi, Tex., as the longshore strike went into its third week.

In an attempt to split the unity of Negro and white workers the shipowners have offered a "contract" to the Lone Star Colored Benevolent Association. Negro and white longshoremen have been fighting shoulder to shoulder throughout the strike.

Reports that the S.S. Commercial Orleans had been tied up at New Bedford, Mass., by longshoremen who refused to unload hot cargo, served to encourage the strikers here.

No further statement of policy has been forthcoming from President Ryan of the International Longshoremen's Association who seems willing to support the Gulf strike with words but not with action.

GALLUP JURY CONVICTS THREE

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house. There they were met by deputy sheriffs, who fired at them. Two workers and Sheriff Carmichael were killed; the bullets found in the bodies coming from revolvers of the types carried by deputies.

At the trial the witnesses for the prosecution performed miracles in remembering faces and contradicting their previous testimony, but the great majority saw no weapons in the hands of any defendants, nor were any found when the defendants were arrested.

The prosecutor in his arguments to the jury admitted the crowd had been orderly, but attributed it to the claim they were waiting to liberate the prisoner, and appealed to the jurors' prejudices by saying that the "Red flag of danger began to wave in the breezes of Gallup that morning."

★ Illegal Denial of Bail.

The defense pointed out that Navarro had been denied bail illegally and made a motion to quash the count as to murder predicted on a felony since Navarro was not in lawful custody when he escaped during the confusion attendant upon the shootings by the deputy sheriffs. Defense Attorney Simms also pointed out that the search warrants used were unlawful, and called this a "Rabbit drive among the poor people of Gallup to see if they couldn't hang the shooting on someone."

Simms also pointed out that "Mob are a result, not a cause. We don't want to make poor people into mobs by unfair treatment."

Chavez, closing for the state, made the remark, "You know what kind of people push women and children to the front in hope they may be hurt and then off goes the ballyhoo." He excused

Blind Couple Win Pension

MONTEBELLO, Calif., Oct. 15.—Full credit to the militant effectiveness of the Public Works and Unemployed Union for obtaining them the state blind pension, was accorded here today by Mr. and Mrs. Snow. The elderly couple had been denied relief because of the fact that their daughter had their home's title in her name and refused to sign it over to the authorities. A PWUU grievance committee won the pension for the couple.

SCALEES FIGHT FRAME-UP ON MURDER CHARGE

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the verdict was that Victor Torres, whose death resulted in the murder frame-up, "died death from causes unknown." The Red Squad and the Industrial Association were most prominent at the inquest.

★ Two "Statements."

Two so-called "statements" were introduced by the prosecutor's office but no witnesses against the framed men appeared. One statement was from Torres, who had declared he did not know how he came to fall from the window. It failed to identify any alleged "assailants." Other witnesses, however, were willing to testify that Torres had climbed from the window on his own initiative.

In Judge Ames' court, October 15, the entire galaxy of framers, including Bremen of the Industrial Association were started when Attorney Leo Gallagher appeared to defend the men charged with murder. They had been forced to appear for hearings.

Archie Brown, who is defending himself, demanded a perjury warrant be issued against certain persons who took part in the disfigurement at the meeting. Judge Ames refused to do anything about it.

★ Protests, Funds Needed.

The four framed men are being held in the county jail back of the Hall of Justice in San Francisco. Visiting hours are between 1 and 3:30 p. m.

The International Labor Defense, in taking steps to free the men, has called for mass pressure at once. All friends and sympathizers of organized labor are urged to send telegrams of protest to Superior Judge Jacks, demanding unconditional release. Protests also must be sent to the district attorney's office in San Francisco.

Funds are needed to build the fight to free these framed workers. This fight is a fight for organized labor. Donations should be sent to the International Labor Defense at 1005 Market st., Room 410, San Francisco.

STATEMENTS ON HERNDON CASE

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respect for law, can have only feeling of revulsion against, so-called system of justice which metes out a 20-year sentence to Negro boy on the sole evidence that he had a delegation seeking relief and that he possessed a few printed pamphlets, which cried for justice."

JAMES W. FORD, Member of the Central Committee, Communist Party.

"The deeds of Angelo Herndon should inspire the best and most high people to do whatever they can to support the fight for his full release."

San Francisco Will See Performance of 'Waiting for Lefty'

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 17.—"Waiting for Lefty", renowned play by the brilliant young left-wing playwright, Clifford Odets, is scheduled to open in San Francisco on Nov. 1.

It will be presented by the New Theater Group at 950 Bush street. Other plays on the same program will be a new edition of "Newsboy" and two skits from "Parade". All funds will be donated to the New Theater School of Drama.

his not calling Wilson, one of the deputies involved, by claiming it would look like a bunch of officers sticking together, but called "unbiased" witnesses like Sherman Porter, who had been for 16 years an employee of the Gallup Coal Co. which is behind the original eviction and the present frame-up.

Effective organization of unemployed will aid in maintaining union scales of pay. Demand that your union officials support such work.

RED BAITERS SET BACK BY PROGRESSIVE FACTION AT A. F. L. NATIONAL CONVENTION

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reached between the two rival building trades groups. The agreement provides for joint committee meetings and a method of negotiating present differences.

Consumers' Research Inc. was denounced for its anti-labor tactics when the Convention went on record approving a resolution presented by the research agency's striking workers. But in line with its usual un-militant policy the officialdom succeeded in striking out a clause of the resolution recommending that Consumers' Research be placed on the unfair list.

★ Favor 30-Hour Week.

The 30-hour week was declared to be the paramount objective of the A. F. of L. when a report was adopted by the committee on a shorter working day. President Green, in supporting the move decried the possibility of "social unrest" showing clearly his attitude toward any militant struggle for better working conditions.

Delegates to the convention, and reporters, read with considerable bewilderment, a story appearing early this week in New York papers telling about the "convention being closely guarded against an anticipated 'red raid'." It was particularly inexplicable, in view of the fact that doors have been wide open all through the convention and there has been no checking of credentials at the doors.

Labor dramatic efforts were particularly praised in a report of the committee on education. The Workers' Education Bureau was asked to study the subject and report back at the next convention. Organization of Labor Stage Inc. was announced.

Discussion on legislation brought out evidence of labor disillusionment with recent progress and a number of demands were made for more militancy and aggressiveness. This was particularly noticeable in regard to injunctions, the Wagner Labor Relations Act and the National Youth Administration and child labor amendment.

★ Furuseth Talks.

Eighty-year-old Andy Furuseth, head of the International Seamen's Union surprised many of the delegates by his militant stand against the Wagner bill and recent attempts to mitigate the evils of the injunction by legislation.

The legislative firework started after the committee on state organization had recommended that state labor movements work for legislation in each state similar to the national Wagner act. So many

voted against the committee's tacit support of the company-union fostering Wagner bill that Green was forced to call a second vote in order to shove through a majority in favor of it.

★ Aid Kohler Strike. More Labor support for the Kohler, Wis., strike was urged by delegates who complained of lack of executive council action on behalf of the strikers.

When a committee on industrial relations recommended reference to the executive council of a resolution on behalf of the 15-month strike against the Kohler Co., striking out a clause to place the nationally-known plumbing manufacturer on the unfair list, F. L. Handley of the Wisconsin Federation of Labor and Charles Heymann, a leader of the strike, pointed out that such a resolution was passed at last year's convention, "but we haven't had results."

Paul V. McNutt, governor of Indiana and former head of the American Legion, came in for sharp condemnation at the Convention for his military dictatorship against Terre Haute strikers.

United Front Speech By Pelletier Draws Attack of Epic News

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 14.—Continuing to deny elementary democratic rights to its members, the End Poverty League today attacked the Epic Committee for the United Front, a rank and file group within the Epic movement, through the medium of "Union Sinclair's National Epic News."

Referring to the fact that Epic Assemblyman John Pelletier will speak at the United Front mass meeting being sponsored by the rank and file committee for Wednesday night, the "Epic News" set forth: "In view of the fact that the State Convention has definitely repudiated any alliance with Communists, it will be interesting to note what Pelletier, recently elected a director, has to say. The organization, illegally using the name 'EPIC' (a patented word), is named by communists."

Any genuine attempt by the rank and file movement to consider issues of paramount importance to all workers, farmers, middle class people, is thus attacked and sabotaged by Sinclair and his "stooges."

The Western Worker can be obtained at news stands. If your news dealer does not have it, ask him to stock it.

NOTICE!

ALL UNITED LABOR TICKET CAMPAIGN SUPPORTERS MUSICIANS AND ENTERTAINERS

If you play an accordion, piano, violin, harmonica, base drum or zither, you can help the campaign. Report to headquarters and get assigned to work.

And this is a tip to all neighborhood headquarters. Give Shows in your headquarters. Enlist neighborhood talent. Hold neighborhood amateur nights. Make the campaign lively. Have the women of the neighborhood bake cakes and make pies for the entertainments. Get everybody participating.

We understand Rossi figures to serve free beer in his headquarters. You'll have to be dead drunk to vote for that guy anyhow. Maybe he wants to float into office on a tidal wave of booze. Put some pep into the neighborhood campaigns.

THURSDAY NIGHTS

All campaign workers should report to their district headquarters every Thursday night at 8 p. m.

RADIO BROADCASTS.

Every evening, between 7:15 and 7:30 o'clock, Ben Legere, United Labor Ticket candidate for Sheriff, will give Labor Ticket broadcasts over Station KGGC (1420 on your dial). Legere will be the reporter of the air for the Labor Ticket. He performed the same service for the Sinclair-Downey campaign of last year. These broadcasts will be held at this same time every night during the campaign with the exception of Sunday. The Sunday broadcast will be between 11:45 a. m. and 12 o'clock noon.

Every supporter must make a special effort to popularize these broadcasts. Arrange parties in your home to listen to them and inform your neighbors to listen in.

FINAL MASS RALLY

On October 30, the United Labor Campaign Committee will hold the big final mass rally in Dreamland Auditorium. Nationally prominent rank and file labor figures and speakers from sympathetic organizations will be present to contribute to the program.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

8:00 p. m.—Scandinavian Workers, 2174 Market st., Dr. Simonson.
8:00 p. m.—26th District Headquarters, 2343 Market street, Mr. Andersen, Mr. Lindsey.
8:00 p. m.—Upper Sunset and G. G. Improvement Club, 1738 Ninth ave., Miss Alex.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

2:30 p. m.—Roosevian Soc., Washington above Polk. Mr. Legere.
8:00 p. m.—PWU No. 4, 364 Third street, Mr. Sanders.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

8:00 p. m.—Social Workers' Forum, 1850 Washington, st. Mr. Mason.
9:00 p. m.—Scan. Civic League, (Aud.) Polk and Turk. All candidates.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

8:00 p. m.—Calvary Tabernacle, 754 Howard st. Miss Alex, Mr. Sanders, Mr. McGee and all candidates if possible.

EAST OF THE Rockies

Submarines Under Construction Troops Refused Relief Cut Restored Milk Strike

NEW YORK—The periods for the construction of new submarines have been reduced to 50 per cent by the navy department. Admiral Snyder, chief of the naval base at Portsmouth, N. H., has stated.

The new submarine Plunger laid down in July of this year will be launched on July 1, 1936. The submarine Pollock laid down on Oct. 1 of this year will be launched on Sept. 1, 1936. The Porpoise and Pike laid down in the summer of this year will be completed next February and May, respectively.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill.—Governor Horner, as a result of mass resentment against the use of troops, has refused to send National Guardsmen to break the four-week strike against the Boss Glove Manufacturing Co. at Kewanee. The use of troops in Indiana and the declaration of martial law at Terre Haute has caused employers to ask for the militia at the first sign of organized activity among the workers.

CLEVELAND—Restoration of the 25 per cent food relief cut effected in the past few weeks was forced as a result of strong protest by Unemployed Councils here. In addition, the relief authorities were obliged to abandon plans for an additional cut in relief during the latter part of October. Besides the restoration of the cut in food, the 70 per cent cut in clothing allowance was restored. Coal orders, which had been entirely eliminated, will once more be available. The restoration of relief cuts affects approximately 218,000 unemployed.

CHICAGO—There are no immediate expectations for settlement of the strike of dairy milk farmers' strike leaders indicated. The strikers' offer for a 30 to 60 day truce was rejected by the milk dealers' association.

Striking farmers continued to picket in face of strike-breaking terror unleashed by state police, federal marshals and gangsters hired by the Pure Milk Association, tool of the milk dealers' companies.

NEWARK, N. J.—The proposal of William Green to bar Communists from membership in A. F. of L. unions drew bitter condemnation from prominent trade unionists here. Peter Vablosky, delegate of Painters Local 777 and candidate for the Assembly in the Essex County Labor Party declared:

"The A. F. of L. has more important problems to consider than attacking the Communists. President Green should do some housecleaning of his own and clean out the racketeers."

Japanese Class War Fighter Is Taken by Death

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 17.—We announce with deep regret the death of Comrade Nagura, 31 years of age.

G. Nagura and his brother, Hiroshi, were born in San Francisco. They joined the Communist Party in 1928 and were active in building the Rodo Shimbu (Japanese workers' paper) and helped organize the Japanese newspaper workers.

Both were typesetters. Hiroshi Nagura was killed while on strike duty in 1932. George, who grieved over his brother's death, was unable to withstand the ravages of tuberculosis contracted during his tireless activity in the working class movement.

Comrade Nagura was confined to his bed from 1932 until his death on Oct. 8 at the General Hospital, French Camp, near Stockton.

We pledge to fill the gap left by our comrade Nagura by building a stronger revolutionary movement.

A memorial meeting is being arranged by his friends and comrades to be held in the near future.

Join the Fight to Stop the Fascist War

RED-BAITING OF LABOR CLARION DRAWS PROTEST

ILGWU SECRETARY CALLS UNITY ONLY HOPE OF WORKING CLASS

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18.—The following letter, sent by Fred Firestone, secretary of the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union, was sent to Charles A. Derry, editor of the Labor Clarion, in answer to an editorial appearing in that paper attacking Communism and the united front of the working class.

"Dear Sir and Brother: I wish to call your attention to a serious error in the editorial in the Oct. 14th issue of LABOR CLARION, entitled 'Communism and Trade Unions', commenting on an article in the same issue of the LABOR CLARION reprinted from the New York JEWISH DAILY FORWARD, entitled, 'Communist Tactics in Trade Union Affairs.' In this editorial you attribute the translation of said article to the Secretary of the Ladies Garment Workers' Union of this city. As secretary of the Ladies Garment Workers' Union of this city this unexpected publicity was a surprise to me, to say the least.

For public record I wish to state clearly that I am not a reader or follower of the New York JEWISH DAILY FORWARD and had nothing to do with the translation of said article. However, since the issue is raised, permit me to comment on said article and likewise upon your editorial.

"The most striking feature of the article is the manner in which it deals with the question of the United Front. As an active participant in the labor movement in general and in the trade union in particular for many years, I am fully convinced that the most important single problem facing the working class is UNITY.

"It has been conclusively proven that if it were not for the split in the labor movement in Germany, Fascism would never have taken power there. This is born out by the heroic resistance the French labor movement put up against Fascism through the creation of their 'United Front' now known throughout the world as the 'People's Front'.

"The experience in our Union has shown that when our ranks were divided in 1926-33 our organization became impotent and the membership was helplessly at the mercy of the manufacturers. The need for Unity in the ranks of labor in the face of mounting reaction is now being acknowledged by every sincere and loyal worker—rank and file leader alike.

"However, the above mentioned article in the JEWISH DAILY FORWARD misrepresents and confuses the issue of the United Front and, therefore, tends to prevent Unity in the labor movement. I consider this to be the greatest crime against the labor movement.

"The issue concerning the Communist Party members; that they place the party above the interests of the union; and that their aim is to 'tear down all non-Communist leaders' is also not true. My knowledge and experience with Communists does not substantiate or justify the above accusations. Communists do not place the interests of their party higher than the welfare of the Unions. They do not even place the issue in such dual manner.

Neither is their aim to tear down all non-Communist leadership. To my knowledge, the only duty the Communist Party requires of its members is to be loyal, responsible, active members and take their union work seriously.

"I regret to see the LABOR CLARION giving space and approval to such articles and publicity to the JEWISH DAILY FORWARD. The reactionary character of the FORWARD is very well known to the Jewish Workers throughout the country. The fact that even the Fascist Hearst press recently reprinted whole series of articles of a similar nature from the FORWARD needs no further comment or interpretation. The Jewish workers have nothing but contempt and condemnation for this reactionary labor splitting sheet.

"Fraternally yours,
Fred Firestone,
Secretary San Francisco Joint Board I.L.G.W.U."

Banquet to Welcome District Organizer

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18.—A banquet to welcome the new District Organizer for District 13 of the Communist Party, Comrade Bill Schneidermann, will be given at 121 Haight st. on Sunday, Oct. 27, at 7 p. m.

Admission will be 50 cents. This will be the first chance San Francisco workers have to greet our new District organizer, who will be the principal speaker at the banquet.

Student Groups to Mobilize Against War Armistice Day

CALL ISSUED DEMANDING DEMILITARIZATION OF AMERICAN SCHOOLS

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—Aroused by the gravity of the international situation, youth organizations have issued a call to students for a mobilization against war on Armistice Day, Nov. 11.

Joining in the proclamation are the National Students Council of the Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A., the National Student Federation of America, the Student League for Industrial Democracy, the American Youth Congress, the Nat'l Student League for Industrial Democracy, the National Student League and the Students' Division of the American League Against War and Fascism.

These organizations, declaring that "Our peace sentiments must be translated into concrete action, call upon students to leave their class rooms at 11 o'clock to demonstrate for these demands:

- 1.—To support by every means at our disposal genuine neutrality legislation to prevent entanglement of the United States in war—no loans, credit, munitions, or secondary war materials to belligerents;
- 2.—To work for the demilitarization of our colleges and schools essentially by assuring the passage of the Nye-Kvale Bill to make the R.O.T.C. optional instead of compulsory;
- 3.—To insist on opportunities in the curriculum and out for relating our education to these crucial problems;
- 4.—To refuse to support the government of the United States in any war it may undertake.

FRANK CARLSON FIRST SPEAKER ON YOUTH FORUM

SAN FRANCISCO.—The first monthly Youth Forum presented by the Young Communist League will feature Frank Carlson, member of the National Executive Committee of the Young Communist League. Comrade Carlson will speak on "What the Seventh World Congress of the Communist International Means to the Youth of San Francisco," a topic especially timely in view of the war in Africa, the impending struggles on the waterfront, and the activity going on for the San Francisco American Youth Congress to be held Nov. 17 at the Fairmont Hotel.

The Forum will be held 8 p.m., Nov. 20, at 8:00 p.m. at 121 Haight st. Dancing will follow the discussion of Frank's speech, to which all are invited.

Proclamation!

The American League Against War and Fascism Calls for an Intensive Fight For Peace and Freedom

Calling for a more determined and intensive fight for the independence of Ethiopia, the National Bureau of the American League Against War and Fascism has issued a Proclamation against war which reads as follows:

"Another war! A war of aggression! A war for plunder! It begins with the unprovoked invasion of one country in the League of Nations by another member of that body. It starts with the breaking of the covenant that was to keep the nations out of war. It leads straight toward the mutual slaughter for which all the great powers are preparing with all the means that science can devise. The spark that may set the world in flames is smoldering in the biggest powder magazine of history.

"Facing these grim and pregnant facts the American League Against War and Fascism calls upon all who recognize the common rights, and desire the common well being of mankind to raise with one voice the demand—STOP THE WAR!

"For months the diplomats have talked in vain. Despite all their pleas and plans, regardless of their protests or threats, the troops are marching; the fleets are assembling; the helpless are being butchered with scientific precision. It is now time for the millions to speak. Those whose first concern it is to protect the booty their nations won by imperialist aggression in earlier days could not prevent this war they dread. Those to whom it is an opportunity for profits have no language able to halt the event whose outcome they fear. It is the multitudes to whom imperialism and the profit seeking economy it has carried round the earth, has brought only insecurity and suffering, whose voice alone is strong enough to command war to stop. Let them now speak! In demonstrations on the streets and campuses, in all their ordinary places of assembly—in their unions and professional organizations, their churches, fraternal and cultural societies let them now raise a united voice demanding the stopping of this criminal adventure.

Less Talk—More Action.

"The word must be accompanied by the deed. The actual thing the American people can do to stop this war is to withhold all aid, direct and indirect, from the aggressor. Otherwise we are accomplices in the crime. We propose as our national policy: NO SUPPLIES, NO LOANS, NO CREDITS FOR MUSSOLINI.

"We urge the American people to inform the President, by telegram, letter and resolution that the embargo on arms is not sufficient. It can be evaded by the shipments of parts and unfinished products. It does not cover supplies which are as essential as guns to the conduct of modern warfare. If governments cannot stop this war by preventing the aggressor from getting the supplies without which his campaign cannot continue, the millions of workers who make and process and transport these supplies can and must. In behalf of their fellow-workers, in Italy as well as Ethiopia, in the name of the innocent women and children who are suffering and who will suffer, we

call upon the workers, the farmers and technicians of the United States to prevent the resources and skill of this country from being used to carry on a criminal war.

* No Loans, No Supplies.

The policy of no supplies for the aggressor must be accompanied by the policy of no loans or credits. The American people need now remember that, after all other pressures had been resisted, it was the loans of our investors to the allied powers which finally pulled us into the World War. That must not happen again. We call upon all citizens to inform the administration that they will not tolerate any financial aid, direct or indirect to Mussolini. We urge them, in meetings and demonstrations to bring public condemnation of their country upon any who are willing to aid the sake of financial gain to aid the mad adventure of a Fascist dictator and to risk embroiling their country in another world war.

* Save Ethiopian Independence.

"Still another issue confronts us. Failing to stop the war, some of the great powers are striving to confine it to Ethiopia. They have officially proposed to buy Mussolini off by some scheme for the joint disposal of the economic resources of the country he has invaded. We warn the American people not to be deceived by the fiction of territorial integrity or political sovereignty. We call upon them to protest as vigorously against collective as against individual exploitation of Ethiopia. We urge them to oppose any settlement that infringes upon the economic independence of Ethiopia. We ask them to rally behind the demand—ETHIOPIAN INDEPENDENCE MUST BE MAINTAINED.

* Join Hands in the Fight.

"We invite all organizations whose principles and purposes commit them to the ending of war and the prevention of fascism to associate themselves with us in rallying support behind these demands. Let us unite to stop the war, to preserve the independence of Ethiopia.

"This dangerous situation in which the world now stands contains a warning for the American people. If they are not to be dragged into another world war, they must understand the relationship between war and fascism. They must shape their course in light of the fact that this belated, aggressive war is born of the principles, the policies and the acts of the first fascist state in history. If the people of this country want peace they must stop the development of fascism among themselves. They must maintain and extend their democratic rights. The fascist state is a war making state. Its people cry peace in vain for under it there is no peace. There is only more hunger, more unemployment, more war.

We call upon the American people while yet there is time to unite AGAINST WAR, AGAINST FASCISM—FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM.

Youth Congress in East Bay to Hold Convention Oct. 19

OAKLAND, Oct. 18.—East Bay youth will hold an all-day conference Saturday, Oct. 19, to plan and carry on the work of the American Youth Conference. The morning session, at 9:30 o'clock, at Trinity Church, 29th and Telegraph, Oakland, will hear the keynote speech by Rev. Gordon McWhirter, delegate to the Second American Youth Congress.

In the afternoon, trade union, church and student groups will draw up plans for action. Sidney M. Jacobs of the Alameda County Central Labor Council will lead the trade union group.

A mass meeting at 8 p. m. will be addressed by Dr. George Hedley and other leaders in religious, student, and trade union activities.

Laundry Union Official Held On Grand Theft

FAKER USES INFLUENCE WITH STATE TO GET OUT OF TROUBLE

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 16.—Everyone is entitled to his—or her—day in court. Even union racketeers of the Anna Brown Munro stripe, who is now up in Judge Steiger's court here on charges of Grand Theft.

Miss Munro was secretary of Laundry Workers' Union, Local 26, for approximately 20 years. During that time she is accused of having embezzled \$64,000 from the union members who stayed in laundries to pay their union dues.

Her husband is an assemblyman from Alameda and her defense attorney is Assemblyman West. Judge Steiger, the laundry workers say, is an old friend of the Munro family.

The defense attorney challenged one juror because she had been divorced from a man who at one time or another might have belonged to a trade union. He asked every prospective juror whether or not he or she had ever had any connection with the labor movement.

The state is prosecuting the case. The only question it asks of prospective jurors is that they be not prejudiced because the defendant is a woman.

The case was finally forced into court after it had been continued for months because of the defendant's alleged "illness."

Vigilante Raid to Cost Monterey Ct'y \$9000 in Damages

SALINAS, Calif.—(FP)—Monterey county will have to pay \$9000 damages as the result of vigilante mob action during a farm strike a year ago.

The vigilantes raided and burned a camp of striking Filipino farm laborers. Rufo C. Canete, owner of the camp, sued the county for \$15,821, and received a verdict of \$9000.

As a result of the verdict, A. B. Jacobsen, chairman of the county board of supervisors, is demanding a grand jury probe of the vigilantes so that the identities of the members of the mob may be made known. If unmasked, the mobsters will face criminal as well as damage action.

L.A. County to Cut Relief of Four Thousand

OBJECT TO AID GROWERS IN SAN JOAQUIN WITH CHEAP LABOR

LOS ANGELES, October 16.—Slow starvation, union smashing, lowering wages—this is the three-point program of the federal relief administration which was revealed baldly and with cool unconcern here yesterday by Roy W. Pilling, SERA administrator in Los Angeles County.

Four thousand relief workers will be forced off relief and made to pick cotton in the San Joaquin Valley at unknown wage and working conditions, Pilling told the Citizens' Relief Committee.

Five hundred of these will be cut off immediately, and since the growers refuse to provide transportation, left to find their way to the valley as best they may. "They probably will make less than their subsistence budgets, and certainly less than they would in WPA," said Pilling. "The Los Angeles County Relief Administration has to solve the farmers' problems anyway, even if it does work hardships!"

Asked by a committee member if he were sending the workers to live on the roadside, without transportation or a guaranty of decent housing, Pilling replied:

"Well, I only know what I am told. Descriptions of conditions in the valley vary rather widely, and of course they paint us a rather bright picture. However, I have been told that there is adequate housing and that schooling will be provided for the children."

Pilling vetoed a suggestion to send smaller and childless families to the valley, as follows:

"Well, of course the growers prefer the larger families because they make more money that way."

Mrs. Martha Todd, supervisor in San Fernando Valley, reported that the forcing of 1200 workers off the dole in her area "had worked out very nicely for everybody."

Public Works and Unemployed Union is initiating a campaign against this starvation program, and will also demonstrate on Saturday, October 26 at the WPA headquarters at 12th and Santee streets, to raise demands for trade union wages and hours and for representation in deciding policy under the WPA set-up.

Camden Shipbuilders Win Concessions in Arbitration Award

WASHINGTON—(FP)—It took 15 weeks of strike and six weeks of work by President Roosevelt's arbitration board—but the Camden shipyard workers' long fight has not been in vain.

A general 5 per cent wage increase, retroactive to Aug. 29, the 36-hour week with time-and-a-half for overtime, a board of adjustment to settle disputes, 36-hour notice of layoffs, non-interference by the company in union affairs are the gains granted by the board of arbitration in Washington, named by Roosevelt Aug. 22 to settle the strike at the Camden, N. J., yards of the New York Shipbuilding Corp. A condition of the settlement is that it shall continue effective at least until the \$50,000,000 navy contract is completed.

Workers, members of the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America had struck May 11. The company steadily refused to negotiate. The yard was completely shut down.

The strike was called off Aug. 29, pending final arbitration. The decision of the board constitutes a clearcut victory for the union.

Australian Writers Union Raises Wages

SIDNEY, Australia, Oct. 5.—Newspaper writers in Australia, by forming their own union, have more than doubled their pay, according to E. Pratt, general secretary of the Australian Journalists' Association. Ninety-five per cent of Australian news writers are now members of the union, and the closed shop has been formed by agreement with all publishers.

BOYCOTT HEARST NEWSPAPERS!

FOREIGN NEWS Briefs

Hungarian Airports Hunger Strike United Front Appeal Bowing to Hitler Railroad Losses

GERMANY—The construction of airports in Hungary as a base for German aviation is one of the objects of the proposed air pact between Germany, Poland and Hungary, according to French newspapers. The air pact is aimed against the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia and Rumania. The prime minister of Hungary, Goemboes, is to visit Germany soon. A German correspondent reporting this, states that German circles are watching with much attention the strained relations between Poland and Czechoslovakia, one of the danger spots of Europe.

SOVIET UNION—Greeting with enthusiasm the recent abolition of ration cards and lowering of food prices, workers in Soviet plants have pledged themselves to overfulfill their year's plans. Many industries are reporting that their production is ahead of schedule.

The gold industry completed its plan for nine months ahead of time, on Sept. 23. The canneries of Crimea completed their plan for the year on Sept. 25, with an output of 47.8 million cans of preserved fish, vegetables and fruit. The food industries in general are working at a far higher level than last year. The output of sausages is expected to be double the plan.

ENGLAND—One hundred and fifty Welsh miners are on a hunger strike in a coal mine, protesting against employment of 88 scabs at the Nine Mile Point, one of the largest collieries of Monmouthshire.

The strikers, back in the mine after a one-week strike, had returned to work when the mine owners insisted upon keeping the 88 scabs hired during the strike. The miners have pledged themselves to remain underground until the scabs are freed.

ENGLAND—Some of Great Britain's most prominent trade union leaders and seven labor candidates for Parliament joined in an appeal to the Executive Committee of the Labor and Socialist (Second) International to urge prompt acceptance of the proposal by the Communist International leading to a united working class front against war and fascism. Secretary Wall of the London Trades Council reported that the Executive Committee of the London Trades Council had already established friendly relations with the powerful French peoples front of Socialists and Communists.

POLAND—A Polish Jewish merchant was sentenced to eight months' imprisonment by a Warsaw court for "insulting the head of a foreign state." According to the indictment, he had returned unopened a letter he received from Germany, with the note written on the envelope, "While Hitler and his gang remain in power in Germany, I request you not to send me any letters." The Polish government is doing its best to curry favor with Hitler by suppressing any anti-fascist sentiments.

GERMANY—German railroads showed a deficit of about 100 million marks for the eight months of this year compared with the same period last year, according to the board of management of German railroads. It is expected the deficit will be increased in the remaining months of the year.

CORRECTION

Porterville, Calif., Oct. 10, 1935.

Comrade Editor: You stated in last issue that the price for cotton picking is higher than ever before in the San Joaquin Valley. This is not true. We got \$1.50 to \$2.00 per 100 pounds in 1927 and 1928. The pickers don't feel the growers are doing them any favor by paying 90 cts. per 100 pounds (the present rate). The average picker can pick about 200 pounds per day by working long hours.

J. H. J.
Editor's Note: An identical complaint was also mailed in from Pixley. The writer's statements are correct. Our reporter meant to say "highest prices since the cotton strike," not "highest ever paid."

Just What is This Fascist Civilization?

Report Shows That Italian People Oppose War

The following are extracts from a memorandum by the Committee to Aid Jailed and Deported Italian anti-Fascists, with headquarters in Paris. This memorandum, released by the International Labor Defense Press Bureau, was officially presented to the League of Nations.

At a time when fascist newspapers are trying to prove that the Ethiopians are barbarians to justify fascist aggression, it is timely to publish this document on fascist barbarism.

The incidents here mentioned, besides reflecting on what the fascists term "civilization," reveal how unpopular the war is among Italian masses and give the lie to Mussolini's statement that, even

if he tried to hold them back "the 200,000 guns which are in Eritrea would go off of themselves."

June 5.—At Poschiera, soldiers leaving for Africa protested. Their officers beat the soldiers to force them to march; result: one soldier was killed with blows from a club and a captain was thrown into a ravine for vengeance.

Newspapers publish decrees forbidding discussion of the war against Ethiopia.

At Sulmona, 300 militiamen refused to leave for Africa and were arrested.

June 17.—A rebellion broke out at Tricassia; five were killed and a large number wounded. At Ascoli Piceno and at Naples, the soldiers revolted.

At Olgiate, relief was refused to families of those called to the colors.

In the Pouilles, militiamen refused to leave for Ethiopia; by way of reprisal they were dismissed from their jobs.

Clashes took place at the Milan station between the soldiers coming from Bergamo and the fascist militia.

At Albino, quarrels broke out between the drunken fascist militia who were departing, and the fascists who were not leaving. A militiaman was killed.

At Sesto San Giovanni (Milan) militiamen pretended to be sick in order not to have to leave for Africa. A doctor, who was an officer in the militia, was sentenced to deportation.

At Genoa the family of a soldier who died in Africa was warned not to cry and not to speak of the matter. A businessman who had closed his store because his

Uprisings Protest Against Service In Army

son had just died in Africa, was arrested.

Labor contracts made with workers in Eritrea are not kept. At Istria, soldiers returning from Africa were imprisoned because they said that they had been mistreated.

In Julian, Venice, militiamen jumped the border in order not to have to leave for Africa. More than 900 deserters have already been placed in concentration camps in Yugoslavia.

103,000 soldiers went through the Suez Canal; 8000 of them came back sick.

On June 21, at Milan, quarrels broke out between the fascists and peaceful citizens who did not want to hear talk of war.

Il Duce Secures Scenario Writer In Hollywood

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Oct. 17.—(Hollywood News Bureau.)—Herman J. Mankiewicz, important writer of Hollywood screen plays and original stories, whose work has been banned in Germany by the Hitler government, has accepted a commission from Mussolini to write a story that will justify the Fascist dictator's program of colonial expansion.

The picture, "Christopher Columbus," in which Frederic March is to be starred, receiving \$100,000 for the job, goes into production in April. Mankiewicz leaves Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, from whose chief, Louis B. Mayer, he has received a leave of absence, in two weeks.

Fascist Propaganda.

Mussolini is preparing the propaganda film through a subsidy arrangement with an Italian company, and plans to give the picture world-wide distribution in an attempt to justify his colonial expansion policy, obviously to demand "the place in the sun" to which, Il Duce believes, Columbus' original discoveries entitled Italy. The film, it is planned also to have a modern sequence to further implant this thought.

Almost a year ago, Mankiewicz entered an arrangement with an independent producer in this country to write the script for an anti-Hitler picture, to be entitled "The Mad Dog of Europe." Hays' office objections were followed by admonitions from the State Department at Washington which finally stopped work on the film. Immediately thereafter, however, Hitler announced that any picture on which Mankiewicz received screen credit would be banned in Germany.

An Artist for Sale.

Any thought, however, that Mankiewicz' work on an anti-Hitler picture was prompted by any anti-Nazi sentiments, is completely wiped out by his acceptance of this new Fascist offer. Interested solely in the financial end of the deal, Mankiewicz is seeking to up his present income which amounts to well over \$85,000 a year.

He is one of Hollywood's most important writers of originals and screenplays. He is responsible for the original story on "Meet the Baron" which introduced Jack Pearl to few audiences, and the screen plays on "Dinner at Eight," "Another Language," "The Show-Off" and "Stambul Quest" among others. On the latter picture to which 65 writers had been assigned before an acceptable script was turned out, Mankiewicz received the only screen credit.

Portland Engineer Faces Deportation To Fascist Germany

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 15.—Walter Baer, civil engineer of Portland, faces deportation to fascist Germany unless strong protest is aroused. The American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born has exhausted all legal means to save this anti-fascist fighter from the Nazi jails.

Baer has lived in this country since childhood, has an American wife and three small American-born children, but this is of small importance besides the fact that he was in the forefront in the fight of unemployed and workers for better conditions. The legal excuse used is that he had committed "crimes involving moral turpitude," which were committed 14 years ago when he was a boy.

Portland newspapers, including the Oregonian, the Oregon Journal, and the News-Telegram, have protested editorially against this deportation. Prominent Portland citizens, including Dr. Raymond B. Walker, Oregon prison commission, Rabbi Sandow, Rev. Acheson and others have protested this outrage. But unless a stream of protests is directed to the Secretary of Labor and the President, it will be impossible to save Baer.

We urge you to send in unit experiences for the proposed Party Work column.

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News Stories and Comment by Worker Correspondents

INJURED Awaiting Aid While Dr. Makes Checkup

MEDICO WOULD LOSE JOB IF HE HELPED OTHER COUNTY'S CASE

By a Worker Correspondent.

SAN DIEGO.—A serious traffic accident which occurred recently on Mountain Springs Grade got into the dispute between San Diego and Imperial county hospital officials, with the result that the injured were left bleeding, wholly without medical care, for several hours.

The seriously injured persons, men and women, were removed from the scene of the accident by private autos and placed on rude pallets on the floor of the Jacumba justice court room. Those able to talk said they would have to be taken to the county hospital. An ambulance from San Diego, 70 miles away, took an hour and a half to show up. There was no doctor in Jacumba. When the ambulance arrived the doctor would do nothing for the injured till he was certain the accident happened in San Diego county and not in Imperial county. He said his supervisors would fire him if he touched another county's case. So he wasted time going to the scene of the accident to check up and it was proved that the accident happened in San Diego county.

Two hours after the ambulance arrived in Jacumba it started to San Diego with the injured, who had spent all that time in the noonday heat of this bake-oven town unnecessarily.

The workers of Jacumba are organizing to force San Diego county to install an ambulance station and physician in that town. At the same time protest is being rallied at this business of ignoring injured people until it is decided just where they are smashed up on the Mountain Springs Grade—which crosses and recrosses the county line.

ONION GROWERS CUT PAY THOUGH PRICES ARE UP

JOBLESS DRIVEN INTO FIELDS BY SERA

By an Unemployed Worker.

RIVERSIDE, Calif., Oct. 15.—The wage-mashing, starvation program of the Federal Relief Administration is becoming apparent to us unemployed workers in Riverside County.

Near Romoland, unemployed workers are being forced to work in the onion fields at the starvation pay rate of six cents per 100 pounds, enabling us to earn the tremendous sum of \$6.75 per week on which to keep us and our families alive.

Growers receive \$1 per 100 lbs. for the onions in the field.

Last year, when onions were selling cheaper, the workers were paid eight cents per 100 lbs.

We are attempting to build a strong Public Works and Unemployed Union here to protect our interests and to force higher wages for working in the onion fields and more adequate relief scales.

Private Armies in England Denounced By Trades Union

LONDON.—The British Trades Union Congress in its September convention adopted the following resolution, bitterly attacking the fascist private armies which are counterparts to American "vigilante" groups:

"That, as a first step towards combatting the menace of Fascism, the government should amend the Unlawful Drilling Act of 1819 to prevent the existence of private armies, with heavy penalties for illegal detention of citizens in so-called club houses or barracks."

At the same Congress Kershaw of the Weavers' Union showed that fascists were concentrating their forces in Lancashire because of the desperate situation of the cotton workers.

The fascists used the claim that further suppression of Eastern peoples would aid Lancashire weavers.

The Undertakers Appreciate Him

SAN DIEGO.—During President Roosevelt's visit to this city a local business firm inserted a small ad in the daily "Sun," acknowledging the fact that his recovery program had helped their line of business very nicely.

The advertisement read as follows:

"We Are Proud of You President Roosevelt. Keep Up the Good Work. SMITH MORTUARY, J. D. & Cora Smith, 2876 El Cajon H. 1214."

Take Children to Work, Jobless Told

SERA ORDERS FAMILIES TO PICK WALNUTS

By a Worker Correspondent.

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif.—To maintain profits for the big farmers the relief officials are telling the unemployed to take any job offered, doing any kind of work at any rate of pay, regardless of their fitness for the work.

Workers in San Bernardino have been sent to pick and shuck walnuts at 75 cents per 100 lbs. When the workers tell the SERA and WPA officials that they cannot make their budgets picking walnuts they are told to take their children to work with them.

The workers are naturally soft physically from their long enforced idleness, they have no protection for their hands and they are usually in a run-down condition from the starvation relief budgets. As a result, many of them are getting dermatitis of their hands due to the chemical irritation from juice of the husks of walnuts. (Dermatitis, in plain proletarian language, means sloughing of the flesh.)

The Workers' Clubs of this county are fighting this set-up tooth and nail and call upon all jobless to organize for better wages and working conditions in the fields or adequate relief budgets.

Sylvester Coudle, an SERA worker who was sent to pick walnuts, reported to the Workers' Club here with his hands in a frightful condition from the walnut juice. They were swollen and rotten so he is incapacitated for work for some time to come.

He was taken to a local doctor who signed a statement, as follows:

"Mr. Sylvester Coudle: This man has a severe dermatitis of both hands, sloughing of skin with ulceration webs of fingers, due to chemical irritation from juice of husks of walnuts."

She Was Happier For Help of WPUU

By a Worker Correspondent.

WHITTIER, Calif.—Racial discrimination was whipped here today as the result of action of a grievance committee of the Public Works and Unemployed Union.

When Mrs. Maud Toquinto, Mexican worker, was given cast-off, worn-out clothing for herself and two children, the "generous" donation of some church group, she went with the P.W.U.U. grievance committee to the D.P.O. of the SERA and returned the useless garments.

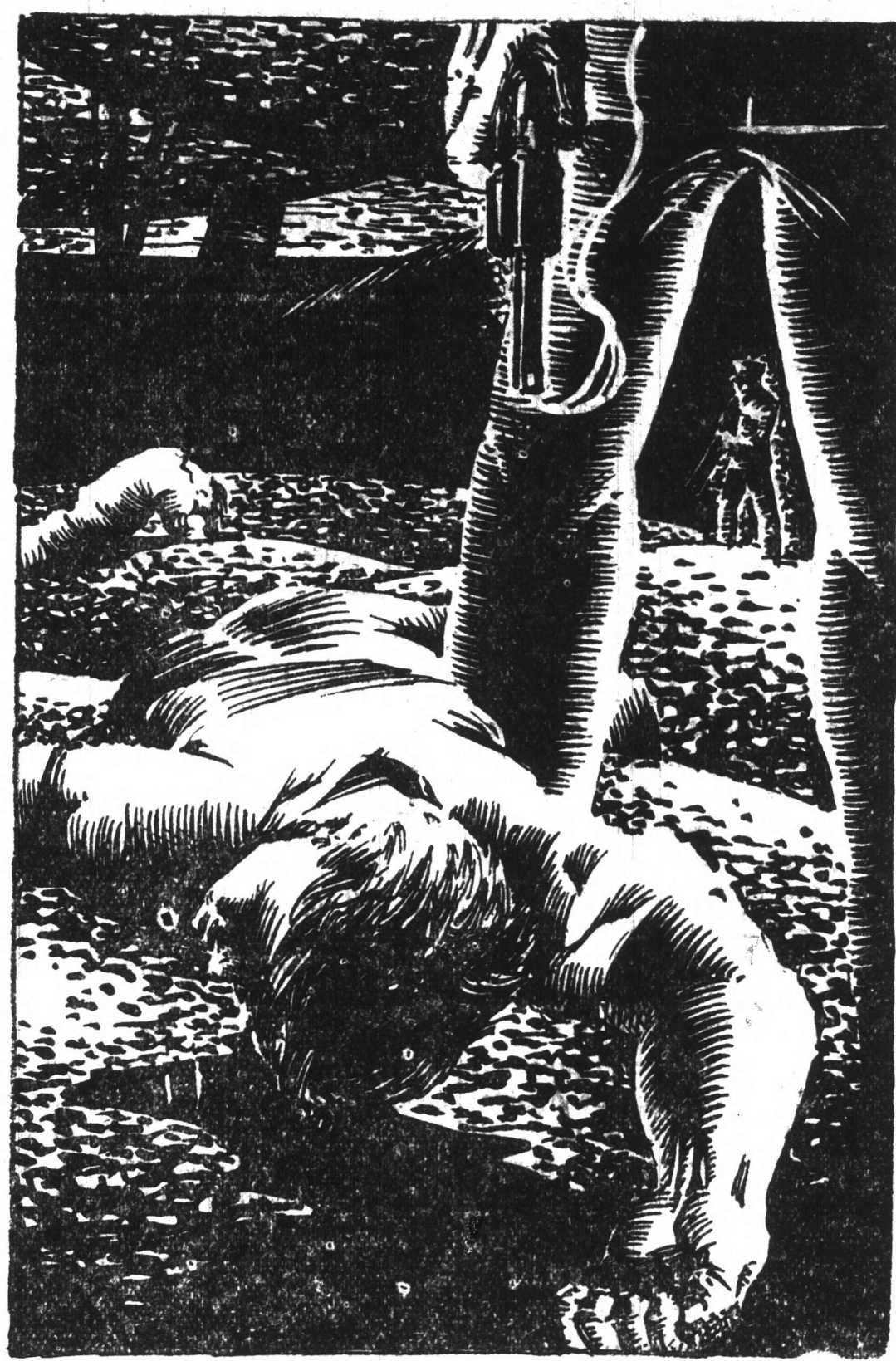
"These clothes should make you feel very happy," relief officials told Mrs. Toquinto.

Mrs. Toquinto became happier when she saw the grievance committee acting efficiently and with working class unity to force the authorities to give her a regular clothing order for new garments for herself and two children.

City Acquires All Public Utilities

AUSTIN, Minn., Oct. 7.—(FP)—With the acquisition of the natural gas distribution system Oct. 1, the city of Austin became the owner of all the utilities within its borders. Water, light, power and gas are now genuine public utilities instead of private utilities. The city paid \$162,500 in cash for the gas distributing system, out of earnings of the municipal plants already in operation.

"Strike Scene . . ."



BY BEAU VINCENT

YOU CAN PUT YOUR "BRAINS" IN A GAS MASK OR NEWSPAPER

BUT IF YOU ARE SMART YOU'LL JOIN A UNION

By Anonymous.

After 15 years' observation of six boys, all of working class parentage, (some of whom are on relief), I give their careers to date. One joined the Navy; the second is in a CCC camp; the third is in the State penitentiary doing a long term; this technique was crude in a hot-up; the fourth is an experienced truck pusher in a cannery during the summer season—in the winter he is idle.

The fifth is still of teen age and attending High School. He is also a member of the National Guard. Previous to enrolling for the late Maritime strike this young defender of the "status quo" was regaling a group of what was in store for the striking longshoremen.

"We've got a gas that'll make 'em cry and puke."

"What about yourself?" interjected a veteran of the Argonne.

The young braggadocio answered, "We've got brains, we'll all wear gas-masks."

"That is no protection," the veteran said gravely, "wearing a gas-mask for a short time, even when there is no gas, will cause you to puke."

The kid gazed thoughtfully at the veteran.

"Speaking of brains," continued the veteran, "I fail to see where you have any. Supposing your brother, or father, was striking for better wages and working conditions, would you enjoy seeing him cry and puke? Meanwhile puke yourself." He added.

The kid replied sheepishly, "No—I don't believe I would."

The sixth, after completing his studies in primary and High School attended Junior College. There he took up a course in journalism, edited the college magazine; graduating to become a news reporter for the Daily Sewer (fictitious name for obvious reasons). Recently I met the youngster.

"Hello! you old reprobate," he greeted, "How's tricks?"

Mrs. Scheinberg to Address F.S.U. Meet

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 17.—Mrs. Claire Scheinberg, recently returned from a prolonged visit in the Soviet Union will testify to the fact that the Russians under the Soviet regime are the happiest people on earth. Mrs. Scheinberg, because she speaks Russian and German was able to get intimately acquainted with many families in the USSR.

She will relate her experiences at the next meeting of the Friends of the Soviet Union at California Club, 1750 Clay st., Tuesday, Oct. 22, 8 p. m. Non-members are welcome.

HEARST NEWSPAPERS! BOYCOTT

Milk Distributors Make Big Profits

CHICAGO.—Behind the Chicago milk strike is the knowledge closely guarded by the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture of the enormous profits of the Bowman, Borden-Wieland and Wanzer dairies, the principal distributors in Chicago. Sec'y Wallace has never released detailed figures but has said that in five years from 1929 to 1934 the milk distributor's profits in the Chicago area have averaged 25.8 per cent a year. Chicago babies and mothers have had to pay milk prices making these super-profits possible and at the same time the farmers who did the work have had to take starvation pay from the companies.

Attempt to Split Union is Blocked

New Mexico Worker Missing

ROSWELL, N. M., Oct. 17. Lester Turnbough, North Hill Committeeman of the Unemployed Council, has disappeared and not been heard from for over a month. It is feared he has become the victim of vigilantes.

His family can get no word him and are in the most severe distress. It is thought he knew too much of the crooked deals being put over on the workers relief. If any reader knows of his whereabouts address his wife in Camp Ray, this city.

JOBLESS WON'T TAKE JOBS FOR 5 CENTS A DAY

SAN DIEGO RELIEF HEAD TRIES TO HELP EXPO.

By a Worker Correspondent.

SAN DIEGO.—Several hundred SERA workers have been asked to work in the California-International Pacific Exposition for 5 cents a day for a ten-day period sweeping streets and gardening. In return they would receive a ticket to the Fair which is worth a total of 50 cents.

Harry Foster, big shot in the American Legion and WPA superintendent, thought up the idea and sent out 125 cleverly worded "come-on" post cards. They said "Many former SERA employees who have worked in Balboa Park desire to meet next Tuesday at the Nursery Building. If you worked here before, or if you are interested, please meet with the gang at 10 a. m. that day. (Signed) Harry L. Foster."

At 10 a. m. Tuesday, some 40 men were present and were addressed by a police officer who told them what they were wanted for and what was expected of them—all for a ticket to a crooked Exposition. Two minutes later the entire crowd had drifted away laughing at what suckers they were for wasting car-fare.

So Foster sent out some more cards. The response was a little larger and this time he addressed the workers himself. Telling them what he wanted, he ended up with, "And if you do not do this work, I'll have you thrown off relief." Foster actually has no such power.

Twenty men at the most signed up to work, and about a dozen appeared the next day. The rest of the men called his bluff.

The crew of SERA men who were working for nothing on the Harbor Department has quit.

Many WPA Workers Quit Navy Yard Job

By a Worker Correspondent.

VALLEJO, Calif.—The Solano County Public Works and Unemployed Union, against bitter opposition from the secretary and vice president of the Vallejo Labor Council, is increasing its membership right along. The capitalist paper here (the Hibbitt Press) refuses to print notices of our meetings, but we have a good attendance anyway.

We are prepared to send delegates to the coming convention at San Luis Obispo on the 20th. Many of the relief workers at Mare Island Navy Yard who live in Oakland, Richmond and surrounding towns are quitting the job because of the high cost of transportation. With the tolls on the toll-bridge it amounts in many instances to as much as \$16 a month.

The Public Works at the Navy Yard claim they have no money for projects, so the jobs are stamped WPA and the relief workers are called upon to do the necessary labor, destroying the wage scale and hurting the A. F. of L.

WPA Workers Strike

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y.—(FP)—Some 900 WPA workers on the Bear Mountain Park project in Orange county, N. Y., have struck against the Roosevelt wage. The workers are protesting discrimination in the wage scale which favors workers from New York City.

FAKERS USE RED SCARE, RACE PREJUDICE

Quick Action in MCS

RANK AND FILE REJECTS PHONEY PROPOSALS

By a Seaman.

SAN FRANCISCO.—The October 10th membership meeting of the Marine Cooks and Stewards should be a lesson to all rank and file and Party comrades in the seamen's unions. It shows the importance of intensifying our organizational and agitational work on board the ships, especially off-shore vessels.

The fakers packed the meeting with a group from the big passenger ships who, for one reason or another, followed the leadership of such phoney as Moriarity and Johnny Ryan from the S.S. Lurline and Monterey. These phoney had made the men in the steward department on these ships believe their union has been dominated by a "handful of radicals" who have worked to destroy the union.

The ship's delegate on the Lurline has worked on the boys for weeks for a crusade against the "reds" in the union, and told them they must drive out the Negro, Chinese, and Filipino workers to protect their jobs.

"You are going to that meeting tonight and clean up!" this delegate told them, "Don't get too drunk, but get drunk enough to fight!"

Rank and File Defeat Move.

If the rank and file of the MCS hadn't learned of this and exposed it beforehand an open split between the white and Negro brothers would have been inevitable. However, the joint rank and file group of the International Seamen's Union issued a statement, the afternoon before the meeting. The statement warned the membership of the MCS that:

"Nothing would please (the shipowners) more than to see one of the I.S.U. unions split away from the rest, or to see the Marine Cooks and Stewards split wide open. They are seizing upon the racial question in an attempt to do this very thing at present."

At the meeting the fakers got cold feet and kept back their original proposals.

Who Dominates the MCS?

The fakers accused the rank and file of dominating the MCS (!) Moriarity failed in his attempt to turn the off-shore vessel brothers against those who stayed on the beach and those on the freighters and steam schooners. The entire membership resented his stupid insinuation that the steam schooner men, by demanding certain improvements, would "drag the off-shore brothers into trouble with the big shipowners."

Common sense ought to tell Moriarity and his like that the union belongs to the rank and file, and that the rank and file is the union and they don't have to dominate it.

Fakers' Proposals Fail.

The fakers introduced several proposals to the meeting, in the name of the brothers on the big ships, aimed to take away from the regular membership meeting at the headquarters the right to hold Burke responsible for his activities and to deprive two militant members of the right to run for offices in the union. Another phoney proposal was that all union members who failed to ship out within a period of 45 days should not have a voice or vote in the union.

This would have hit the militant members who have been blacklisted by the companies or are discriminated against by the fakers. It would also freeze out the Negro, Chinese and Filipino workers, most of whom will not be able to get a job for some time because of the present shipping system.

In spite of the old "red-herring" and all the railroad tactics the rank and file were wise to these moves and defeated every one of them.

Effective organization of unemployed will aid in maintaining union scales of pay. Demand that your union officials support such work.

WHERE TO GO

ORGANIZATIONS! Get big crowds to your affairs. Advertise them here. New rates—7c a line, in advance!

San Francisco

DESKS, files, etc., are needed by the Western Worker. Notify the business manager when and where to have materials picked up.

HAYS VALLEY NITE, 121 Haight st. Dance under the Cherry Blossoms. Benefit for Daily Worker. Given by units 4-2 Fillmore. Sunday, Oct. 27, 8 p. m.

DANCE, ENTERTAINMENT at 779 Vallejo st., on Oct. 20, at 8 p. m. under the auspices of the S. F. Section, Communist Party for support of the S. F. Section. Admission 15 cents.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING and Lecture by Mrs. Claire Scheinberg, recently returned from the Soviet Union at California Club, 1750 Clay st., 8 p. m. "Happy Families in the Soviet Union" will be the subject of lecture. Non members cordially invited. Admission free. Ausp. Friends of the Soviet Union.

ATTENTION! SAVE THIS DATE! SATURDAY, NOV. 16, 1935, SO THAT NO COMPLICATION OCCURS.

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KEEP OPEN the 27th of October, for the fifth Annual Concert of the Daily Worker at the Mason Opera House.

SHIPPERS BALK SETTLEMENT OF CANADA STRIKE

PEACE PARLEY HEARINGS NEAR CONCLUSION

VANCOUVER, B. C., Oct. 16.—Hearings in the more than five-months-old strike of longshoremen here were concluded last week. Strikers report nothing substantial was achieved.

Discussions which may lead to a settlement, however, were being conducted.

Representatives of the shipowners, throughout the hearings maintained a stubborn resistance to all demands of the strikers for union recognition. The Shipping Federation, after first pretending to recognize the Transport Workers' Union, instituted a lock-out, which in turn led to the strike.

Longshoremen do not anticipate a settlement of their strike, at least until the elections now in progress are concluded and it is known which party will be in power in the Canadian government.

Meanwhile continued reports of solidarity action taken by seamen in other ports were received here. The crew of the S.S. "Niagara," a Royal Mail packet, refused to ship to British Columbia ports until assured that cargo would be discharged by union workers in Vancouver.

Workers' School Affair Postponed

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18.—The Trade Union department of the Workers' School announces that the affair that was to be held on Oct. 19th at 121 Haight st., is postponed. This is being done because of the Dance and Entertainment being given by the United Labor Campaign Committee on the same night at the Druids Temple.

MOVIE REVIEWS

A Pig's Eye View of University Groups Hearst-ism In Celluloid—College Students With Beards and Bombs

"FIGHTING YOUTH", Universal picture with Chas. Farrell, Ann Sheridan, Eddie Nugent, and Alden Chase.

By L. A.

No doubt this piece of sublime stupidity will be heralded as "The greatest football picture ever filmed. See the All-Americans smash thru to victory," etc. Plot follows.

College opens. Gals, freshmen, etc. The hero steps out of an R.O. T.C. uniform into a football suit. The villain, new style, is the student movement. A meeting of the Central Committee of the radical Student League for Freedom is in session. They must secretly undermine the morale of the football team.

The radical girl leader seduces our hero. He attends a meeting of the League. He is pleased when asked to speak. The girl friend who is on the spot and forthwith delivers a singing rebuke to the group. Says she, to the hero, "Do you think it's smart to be mixed up in this sort of crowd?" Hero fumbles at the next game and loses by a large margin.

Catch spots his star football player (our hero) at dinner with the radical girl. Ah! He threw the game. So he tips to the dean with his sad tale. "That group in the League of Freedom would blow up anything," he stammers. You must fight it out in your own way, he invites the dean. At the next day's football practice our hero rebels at the rough stuff and cuts.

Now, the stinky looking "brains" behind the League must get possession of a secret list of members and sympathizers which is hidden in a secret panel in a deserted house. He is always being shadowed so he, with another radical student, inveigle the hero's girl

friend into getting the notebook. The hero's name is in it, see? She gets the book. Walks down the street. Is kidnapped by these same two radicals. They take the book and dump her! (Don't blame me, I'm only reporting the picture.)

It's the dean's office. The gal accuses "brains" of abducting her. Wrong, my pretty one—"brains" has proof to the contrary. In comes the other radical student. But instead of backing his pal up, he rushes him; searches for guns; arrests him. Omygawd! You guessed it—a G-man in disguise. "We have 100 agents scattered about the colleges," says this glorified stool pigeon. At last he had caught up with this alien, illegally in the U. S.; a fonder of trouble, whose real name is (wouldn't you know it) Boris Marvitch. The dean has the floor: "When we give the student intellectual freedom we must protect their mind from the workings of professional agitators."

An excruciatingly funny scene follows at the police station where the cops are spanking (1) the radical girl. The big game of the season is now on. It's three minutes to play. The opposing team are three touchdowns to the good. Will our coach relent and reinstate our hero? Will he? This dramatic, soul-rending, spectacle answers that vital... blah! blah! Hollywood. Are you stupid!

Even tho the whole audience is bored by such ridiculous movies, such childish stuff should not be underestimated. Many persons are sure to swallow it, tho I'm willing to bet the percentage will be mighty small.

"Together We Live", a Columbia picture with Ben Lyon. Domestic tragedy induced by red propaganda, says Variety.

Books and Pamphlets

PROLETARIAN LITERATURE IN THE UNITED STATES. A Book Union selection edited by Granville Hicks, Michael Gold, Isidor Schneider, Joseph North, Paul Peters, Alan Calmer, with a critical introduction by Joseph Freeman.

Reviewed by M. J. OLGIN

It is in this way that the American Writers' Congress and the League of American Writers could make their appearance. And it is because of all these developments that the present volume became a living fact. Five years ago a collection like this could hardly be realized. Today it is there to have, to read, to pass on—a beautifully designed volume filled to overflowing with vital proletarian stuff no intelligent person can afford to pass by. (Most of the material of this volume was in fact created in the last five years.) The Anthology, in turn, will undoubtedly exercise its influence not only on the literary front but also on the economic and political struggles of the workers.

In this sense the collection, "Proletarian Literature" is appropriate, although most of the writers included in the collection do not hail from the proletariat and some of them have only recently joined the revolutionary literary front. It is proletarian literature in the sense that it is literature dealing with the proletarian masses and regarding the specific traits of proletarian life.

High Literary Level.

The choice of the material has been made with discretion and good literary judgment. One may argue about preferences, about the omission of this or that piece known to a particular reader. One may question the absence of some names which, according to one or another friend of revolutionary literature, should have been included. But such arguments would lead nowhere. What is significant about this collection is this: First, the entire material contained in it—works or fragments of works of 64 writers—is, on the whole, good literature, good writing. We have here 16 short stories, or excerpts from novels, 53 poems, 8 pieces of artistic reportage, 5 dramatic sketches or acts from full-size plays, 9 articles of literary criticism, besides the extended general introduction to the whole volume (by Joseph Freeman) and the terse illuminating prefaces to each section—and not a single

literary failure. Some of the works are of a higher literary order than others; some are more expressive, with clearer delineation of character, with a deeper inner glow; others possess these qualities in a lesser degree.

But all this without exception is literature of distinction, some of it is excellent, and what is most encouraging is the excellence of the work of a few new men and women of whom we have heard little. Thus, about Tillie Lerner the editors remark: "Tillie Lerner was active in the San Francisco strike. 'The Iron Throat' is her first published fragment." The fragment, it should be noted, vies with the best in point of imagery, awareness, rhythm, depiction of life, and revolutionary sympathy for the exploited. The inclusion of revolutionary artistic reportage, of which some fragments are no less fascinating than outright fiction, only goes to prove that this kind of literature is a peculiarly fit weapon in the hands of the proletariat.

Socialist Realism.

Secondly, the literary production here collected succeeds in being class literature without appearing to be "propaganda." Hardly any critic with a sense of literary values will be able to say that the facts as here recorded by the writers have been so marshalled as to prove a thesis. The editors were particularly careful to avoid the pitfall of cajoling reality to conform to theory. They richly assumed that the life of the proletariat as it is contains enough revolutionary implications. There is a happy avoidance of sermonizing in the volume, and whenever there appears revolutionary action, it seems to grow out of the very soil of the workers' lives.

If socialist realism consists in truthfully depicting reality by showing the essential, not some accidental or illusory, traits of reality, by revealing the historical tendencies inherent in that reality and by making clear the inevitability of the victory clear the new over the old social forces, then the bulk of this volume is socialist realism. The literary criticism contained therein furnishes the ideological weapon in the struggle for socialist realism.

The Book Union could make no better choice for its first approach to the proletarian readers.

BOYCOTT HEARST NEWSPAPERS!

The Mooney Frame-Up On Parade

Fickert, Former District Attorney, Now Broken Man, May Spill Whole Story

PART XIV.

The story of the present habeas corpus hearing in San Francisco, before a state supreme court referee, Attorney A. E. Shaw. Nineteen years ago Mooney and Billings were framed for murdering a man with a bomb. In 1934 Mooney demanded a new trial on an old indictment charging him with the murder of another one of the victims of the same bomb. The second trial was held and he was acquitted.

Now his freedom is demanded under a writ of habeas corpus.

From a surface point of view the past week has not been a very startling one in the hearings being held before Referee Shaw in San Francisco. Most of the time has been taken up in reading into the record the 1916 and 1917 testimony of Oxman, Rigall, Mrs. Edeau, and others in the three trials and in the Oxman hearing before the Grand Jury for subornation of perjury. However, this is immensely important for an orderly presentation of the case, and is laying the ground for the appearance of witnesses, both new and old, who will build up an unbreakable record of the deliberate framing of Mooney and Billings by the district attorney and his staff and their henchmen on the police force.

Witness "Can't Remember."

The only witness actually to take the stand during the week—except for a brief testimony by Rena Mooney's sister, Mrs. Belle Hammerberg, to identify the copy of Oxman's affidavit in Kansas City, secured by her in 1926—was Frank Tharp, Pacific Coast manager of the Burns Detective Agency, who was on the stand at the end of the week before. This honest and reluctant witness professed an inability to remember anything except that all his files of the case were destroyed. But he did, under pressure, recognize his own signature on letters sent by him to Mooney when the first attempt to secure Oxman correspondence were made by the defense.

After constant efforts to secure the presence of Frank Woods, who first wrote Fickert about Oxman, and B. G. Wilson, the railroad agent who caught Oxman in a previous perjury, both men have refused to come to San Francisco to testify. Therefore, during the week of Oct. 20, the referee and counsel on both sides will go to Portland, Ore., and Cheyenne, Wyo., respectively, to take the depositions of these men. Mooney and Billings will not accompany them.

To Subpoena Cunha.

In the near future Earl Hatcher of Woodland, and his wife, who entertained Oxman during the morning of July 22, 1916, and put him on the train that did not reach San Francisco until after the bomb

explosion, are expected to testify. A subpoena has also been issued for former Police Lieut. Steve Bunner, who was very active in the days of the frame-up. Another witness who will be subpoenaed is Edward Cunha, who was Fickert's assistant in 1916. Cunha has already been present in the courtroom, but did not testify.

Fickert Now a Derelict.

The star witness expected to be called by Mooney's counsel will be the chief of the frame-up gang, ex-District Attorney Charles Fickert himself. Fickert has fallen very far from his mental and physical state of 1916. He is now practically a derelict. There is every possibility that when he gets on the witness stand, under the merciless examination of Frank P. Walsh, without help from his former advisers, he will break and finally spill the whole story of the frame-up. Therefore every effort is being made by the other side to keep him from testifying—even to sending him to Arizona, where he now is—though he was in San Francisco, and even appeared momentarily in the courtroom, during the past week. If it is humanly possible, he will be located and brought back, to be put on the stand in the near future.

Hotel Register.

The chief sensation of the week was the presentation as petitioner's exhibit of the original registration book of the Burns Hotel, Woodland, Calif., with Oxman's signature as the first entry for July 22, 1916. At the Mooney trial Oxman testified that he had come straight from Portland, and ar-

Important Witnesses Refuse to Attend

rived in San Francisco between 12 and 1 o'clock. This book (which had disappeared since the Grand Jury investigation of Oxman) together with the Hatcher's and other testimony, will prove conclusively that the "honest cattleman" deliberately perjured himself in this statement, and that it was absolutely impossible for him to have been at the corner of Steuart and Market streets at the time to have "seen" the Mooneys, Billings, and Weinberg there.

Hearing in New Room.

Judge Steiger, in whose courtroom the hearings have been held (the same room in which Mooney heard himself sentenced to hang in 1917) has asked for his room back, as his calendar is becoming clogged. Therefore, starting with Oct. 14, the hearings will continue in the chambers of the Police Commission, also in the Hall of Justice.

Solidarity.

Among the contributions coming in for the expenses of the hearings, one of the most gratifying was a money order for Five Pounds from the Queensland Branch of the Australian Railways Union, which was accompanied by a letter from the State Secretary, T. Moroney, with the hope that the Australian comrades would "hear early that he has been released from the prison in which he has been so unjustly confined for so many years."

TRADES UNION REPORT SHOWS NAZI DECLINE

BRITISH CONGRESS HEARS CITRINE'S REPORT

LONDON.—The General Council's report to the British Trades Union Congress shows that emotional interest in fascism is definitely declining.

The report, delivered by Sir Walter Citrine, pointed out that fascism was depending on militarism for its existence. This is shown by Germany, with an acknowledged army of 600,000, while their information was that it numbered nearly one million.

Underground activity is still being carried on actively, according to Citrine, who attended several conferences with representatives for Germany.

One conference at which forty German colleagues were to have attended was blocked by the arrest of twenty-five of them before they had even crossed the border, although the place of the conference was kept secret.

Citrine credited the boycott for the recent public divergence between Dr. Schacht, the Economic Minister, and the Nazi leaders.

Conditions in Italy were even more desperate than in Germany, and the war diversion was an attempt to take attention from internal conditions.

Soviet Film Deals With Farm Workers

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 17.—"Peasants", the heroic film depicting the fierce struggle for collectivization, which was directed by Friedrich Ermler, holder of the Order of Lenin, will be seen at the Grand International Theater, 730 So. Grand ave., between 7th and 8th streets, for a limited engagement starting with the matinee of Thursday, Oct. 17.

"Peasants" has to do with the workers on a Kolkhoz, a collective farm. Among the hog and pig raisers is a traitor, a Kalak, whose lack of cooperation is eventually discovered by his wife when he refuses her ideas of having their unborn child raised to be a Communist leader. She is astounded to learn her husband's true views, and then recalls that he had incited both her and her brother against the executives of the Kolkhoz.

CORRECTION: In our column of the 17th there appeared wrong information regarding the Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism transcript. Attorney Leo Gallagher has been informed that the transcript is ready but to date has not received it.

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Olympic Boycott

NEWARK, N. J.—(EP)—Following the example of the South Atlantic Ass'n of the Amateur Athletic Union in Baltimore, the New Jersey Ass'n of the A.A.U. has voted to boycott the 1936 Olympic games in Nazi Germany.

Health and the Class Struggle

By FRANKLIN E. BISSELL, M. D.

HEARST AND QUACKS

In the fight against Hearst and other fascist publishers we must show people how their publishers help to exploit sick people in the meanest way possible by advertising all kinds of fake "healers" in their columns.

The latest example is that of Rex Beach, a cheap but popular adventure story writer, doing a series of articles in the Hearst "Cosmopolitan Magazine" ballyhoos a couple of quacks of the worst sort.

These fakers are Mahlon Locke, a faith-healer, and Dr. F. N. Bonine of Niles, Mich. Dr. Bonine pretends to dissolve cataract (clouding of the eye lense) with a "secret" formula which consists of nothing but a few of the simpler drugs. He gives drops of this formula with a lot of hokuspokus which makes his victims think that he is performing a miracle. There is not the slightest scientific basis for the claim that any cataract is ever benefited by putting such drops in the eyes.

Hearst, in his wild scramble for the profits gained from ballyhoosing such fakers, cares no more about such scientific facts than he does about the scientific fact that his days of power are numbered.

CAESAR'S CIRCUSES

In the days of ancient Rome, whenever the masses would become restive, the Caesars, who were expert in their use of mass psychology to keep the population subjected, would increase the number of festivals and circuses to detract attention from the general misery and hunger. Rulers ever since have used the same methods including "our own" dear capitalists.

A professor of psychiatry (mental diseases) at Columbia University expressed the same idea when he said recently that "privileges, football games, and similar sport contests in which the spectator violently takes sides, furnish an excellent method of getting rid of emotional energy."

The Oakland Tribune give a hint to the modern Caesars, the capitalists, when it says, "When a country is worried because of bulletins from a war front, the price of food, or the state of the times, it may find pleasant release

Scab Shop Operator Jailed for Attempt To Commit Murder

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 10.—Because of his refusal to pay union wages and to deal with his employees collectively, Sam Lubarsky, operator of the Cadillac Clook Shop at 934 So. Broadway, was in jail here today charged with assault with intent to commit murder.

Yesterday Lubarsky shot Philip Weiss, 42, employee of the Priesstein Tailoring Company at 127 East 9th street, in the course of an argument during which Weiss assertedly urined Lubarsky to unionize his shop. Weiss is in General Hospital seriously wounded. "I hope he does not die," said Lubarsky, calmly puffing on a pipe in the Georgia street police station. "But I can't bring the union into my business. I hope they will let me alone."

The shooting took place in a cafe at Ninth and Main streets.

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HIGH CCC ACCIDENT DEATH RATE

The report of the U. S. Army on the deaths in the Army and the CCC in 1934 came out recently. This showed that in the army there were 511 deaths and in the CCC there were 871, almost half of which were due to accidents.

This compares very unfavorably with the rates for the entire population. Only one death out of 30 is usually due to an accident.

What does this mean? It means that both in the army and the CCC there aren't enough safeguards against accidents.

Liberals Form New Committee for Nazi Political Refugees

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—(EP)—A group of prominent liberals has announced the formation of an Emergency Committee in Aid of Political Refugees from Germany to aid existing labor and church organizations in the same work. A goal of \$250,000 in collections, during the next two years has been set.

The new committee will cooperate with such existing organizations as the A. F. of L.'s Chest of Liberation, the American League against War and Fascism, liberal and radical anti-Nazi groups and a new Catholic anti-Nazi committee. A radio broadcast over a national hookup, with Albert Einstein, eminent scientist, and Al Smith as speakers, is being prepared.

Sponsors of the committee include Robert Millikan, mathematician; Mrs. Gifford Pinchot, vice-pres., Francis J. Gorman of the United Textile Workers of America, Raymond Lowry of the American Federation of Teachers, Editor Charles Morrison of The Christian Century, and Walter Damrosch, noted musician. Francis Henson is secretary of the organization, which has taken offices at 20 Vesey st., New York City.

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The Communists Must Be Heard

The amazing persuasiveness of Communists is something that needs explanation. Never before has the kept press cried out so fervently: "Please silence the Communists. Don't let them rent halls. Don't let them appear at meetings. Drive them out of the unions. Arrest them. Deport them. Jail them. Kill them. ANYTHING! But PLEASE! PLEASE! Don't let them talk."

This is difficult to understand. If we Communists are any of the terrible things they try to say we are, then the quickest way to discredit us and put us out of business would be to let us talk. If we really preach doctrines of violence and justice, then by all means they should be eager to let us talk. In such a case, it would be very easy to argue us down.

Mr. Hearst specializes in "exposing" Communism. Yet his is the most frantic voice among all those pleading that we be silenced. If he really believes we are so dreadful, why doesn't he urge people to attend our meetings, read our press and see for themselves. Wouldn't this be the best possible "exposure?"

Mr. William Green and Mr. Edward Vandeleur and Mr. Scharrenberg are all very anxious that members of the American Federation of Labor be expelled from their unions as rapidly as they join the Communist Party. The voice of a Communist on the floor of a union seems to be an astonishingly persuasive influence, since the gentlemen who wield the gavel cannot compete with it.

The answer to this proposition is simple and expressive, if not very elegant. It seems that the eminent and distinguished spokesmen of capitalism, when boiled down to their essence, are ordinary cowards and liars.

The healthiest thing for any union is to have Communists in its membership. The healthiest thing for any community is to have Communists expressing their viewpoint at public meetings. Before making any decision, before forming any opinion, why should you not be able to hear what the Communist viewpoint is on that subject?

Are you to regard yourselves as imbeciles incapable of controlling your own minds? Are you afraid to hear the Communists talk because you fear they will convince you?

We think not. We think you are interested in hearing our voice and capable of judging its logic for yourself.

The spokesmen of capitalism also knew this. And that is why they are afraid of having you hear us.

You have a right to hear us. These are common rights and we must unite in defense of them.

This is no casual issue. It is serious and important. You are going to need your rights of free speech and freedom of political opinion very badly in the coming years. Fight for them now. It is easier to maintain them while we have them than to win them back once they have been taken away.

Just as surely as you let them take these things away from you, you are going to have a fight to win them back. And it will be a very bitter fight.

THOMAS JEFFERSON, when explaining the aims of the University of Virginia: "This institution will be based upon the illimitable freedom of the human mind. For here we are not afraid to follow truth wherever it may lead, nor to tolerate error as long as reason is left free to combat it."

Deportation—The Last Resort of Numskulls

Thomas Paine, Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln and Benjamin Franklin, if alive today would be clubbed senseless by the police department if they uttered any of the wisdom for which they are famed.

Their common ideal, freedom of speech, has sagged to such a pretense that employers make free use of police and courts to jail and drive out the men whose arguments they cannot answer. We have the example now of James Branch whom authorities are making every effort to deport to the West Indies for the admitted reason that he taught classes on Marxism, lectured on current topics and spoke in support of organized labor.

The authorities make no effort to conceal the fact that Branch's foreign birth is of no importance to them and is merely being utilized as a means of getting him out of the way.

Branch has been ordered to report for deportation on Oct. 21. The International Labor Defense is filing a writ of habeas corpus and is calling upon all honest persons to protest to Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins.

If our public institutions have become so corrupt, so soggy with graft and privilege that the honestly expressed opinion of any man can endanger them—then that man should be heard. And you have a right to hear him.

Defend his right to speak.
Defend your right to hear.

"Labor is prior to and independent of capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor, could never have existed if labor had not first existed. Labor is the superior of capital, and deserves much the higher consideration."—ABRAHAM LINCOLN."

Only Honest Votes Will Defend Your Interests

If you try to play a crafty game with the machine of professional politics, you are going to come out with the short end of the stick. That is their game and you needn't think you can beat them at it.

The only thing that you can fight with is straightforward honesty.

A lot of people have been heard to say that they believe Redfern Mason and the United Labor Ticket have the only platform with genuine integrity, and that is truly in the interests of the people. "But," they continue, "The most important thing is to defeat Rossi. Therefore, even though Uhl is a professional politician with a dubious record, he is the lesser of two evils."

And just as many people are saying: "The most important thing is to defeat Uhl. Therefore, even if Rossi is the tool of the Industrial Association, he is the lesser of two evils—at least he is a known evil and Uhl and his Uhlans might be a thousand times worse."

The lesser of two evils is the worst of all evils and a dishonest vote.

In the first place, the race is not between Uhl and Rossi but between Mason and Rossi. A vote for Uhl or any of the other candidates is a vote for Rossi.

There is only one way to vote that can possibly further your interests or overcome the disgraceful corruption and servitude to Big Business which is stranding Municipal politics. That is, for you to sincerely study the platform and backing of all candidates. Then vote honestly for what you believe is right.

If you are a working man or woman, whether white collar or in overalls, if you are a small business man or a small property owner, a professional man or liberal, your honest vote can only be for Redfern Mason and the United Labor Ticket.

Emergency Call In Herndon Crisis

On Monday, Oct. 14, a general alarm sounded through the ranks of every working class organization in America. In hundreds of towns and cities from coast to coast, the wires were flashing. Telegrams were being opened in headquarters of workers' groups. Hands reached quickly for telephones. Meetings were stopped in the middle of business. Other matters were deferred as organizations swung into action on a major working class emergency.

Angelo Herndon had been ordered to surrender to the chain gangs of Georgia within ten days. The U. S. Supreme Court had refused to review the case of the young Negro organizer of the unemployed who was arrested and railroaded by Southern capitalists who invoked an ancient slave revolt law dating back to 1865. A crude suppression frame-up violating and mocking every principle of freedom and justice for which the Constitution is supposed to stand. So glaring was the corruption that workers in very State took up the cry for his freedom and his name has become a symbol of the working class struggle. \$18,000 in small amounts was contributed by workers to bail him out pending appeal to higher courts.

IN THE FACE OF THIS, THE U. S. SUPREME COURT REFUSES EVEN TO REVIEW THE CASE.

Herndon is ordered to surrender on the 24th of October. Between that time and now you must take the following emergency steps:

1—Press the drive for collection of signatures. See that all lists are in the hands of the International Labor Defense, 80 East 11th st., New York City, before that date.

2—Send funds to carry on the emergency drive.

3—Send telegrams to Governor Talmadge demanding he exercise his power to free Herndon.

4—Send telegrams to the U. S. Supreme Court, Washington, D. C., demanding a review of the case.

HERNDON MUST NOT SERVE A SINGLE DAY ON THE CHAIN GANG!

A Campaign of Rumors On the Waterfront

Certain agents of the shipowners, who have squirmed themselves into the ranks of the maritime workers, for more than a month have attempted to foster a whispering campaign calculated to disrupt the unity now existing between the different maritime unions.

They attempt to set seamen against longshoremen—longshoremen against seamen. They put the seamen on the back at one corner and flatter the longshoremen at another.

They say the longshoremen are "pork chop conscious," and that the seamen are attempting to force the longshoremen into a strike. No rumor is too vile for them to repeat.

In the meantime the shipowners are engaged in a campaign to discredit the maritime workers—not longshoremen—not seamen—but all maritime workers. They want to smash the militant unions and put the fakers back in their jobs as heads of what would be merely company unions.

No one disputes the fact the shipowners have a strong united front. They know what unity means and that's why they fear it in the maritime unions.

The present time is a time for solidarity of all crafts. It is no time to listen to rumor-mongers. Hot cargo will soon be here from the Gulf. The shipowners want us to violate all union principles—to work the filthy stuff. We will not do this.

Remember—AN INJURY TO ONE IS AN INJURY TO ALL!
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Party Life

Recruiting Drive So Far; Complaint From a Unit

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Last week we published a checkup on new recruits from Sept. 21 to Oct. 5. The following is the checkup from Oct. 5 to 12.

During this last week, the following Sections recruited:

Sonoma—One Woman; total 1.
Los Angeles—One shop worker, 2 unemployed; total 23.

San Diego—One Woman, 4 unemployed, 2 farmers; total 8.

East Bay—3 A. F. L., 2 women, 2 unemployed; total 9.

San Francisco—9 A. F. L., 3 shop workers, 6 unemployed; total 37.

The above shows the recruits from Sept. 21 to Oct. 12, with the results of the last week itemized, according to categories.

To date, only 93 members have been recruited since the beginning of the drive. Comrades! This must be speeded up if we are going to make our quota by Nov. 7. More than half of the time for the drive has already elapsed. The following Sections have not brought in even one new member since Sept. 21.

Nevada, Arizona, Bakersfield, Monterey, Merced, Fresno, Stockton, Sacramento, Santa Barbara, San Jose, San Mateo, Tulare.

This means that 12 out of 21 Sections have obviously not made any consistent attempt to bring in any new members in their respective sections. Especially in these 12 Sections, during the next week, every single member in the Party must be mobilized to do daily recruiting. Contacts must be checked on, and systematic attempts made to visit them and recruit them to the Party. There is very little time left. We expect during this next week to hear from every Section in the District that they are doing their part to go over the top in this drive.

QUERY ON DIMITROFF PAMPHLET

The comrades of this unit feel that there is laxity in the distribution of the speech of Dimitroff. The Daily Worker and the Party Organizer have both told us that one-half million copies of this important document must be sold. There were discussions in the units, everyone was primed to make a real distribution of the pamphlet. But where are they? I understand that the Los Angeles Section received 300 copies which were sold out in less than a day.

We here, of course, do not know what difficulties in publication may have been encountered. However, this delay on the Dimitroff pamphlet is not an isolated incident. Peter's "Manual," an exceedingly important party document is also unobtainable from time to time.

We have a keen recognition that our Party Press and publications are among the most important weapons placed in our hands. However, there should be less time lag in distribution so that we may take advantage of their timeliness.

Agit-Prop.

Unit J-8, Hollywood Sub-Section

NOTE: The Dimitroff pamphlet (reviewed on this page) is now available in large quantities. District 13 has been set a quota of 20,000 copies of this first mass printing.

Here are the quotas by sections:

Los Angeles	9500
San Francisco	5500
San Diego	1000
East Bay	1000
Sacramento	500
San Bernardino	300
Santa Barbara	250
San Mateo	250
Fresno	200
Stockton	200
San Jose	200
Eureka	150
Monterey	150
Contra Costa	100
Bakersfield	100
Merced	100
Sonoma	100
Tulare	100
Porterville	100
Arizona	100
Nevada	100

Seattle Labor to Boycott War Goods

SEATTLE, Wash.—(FP)—The Seattle Central Labor Council has voted to request all affiliated bodies to refuse to handle or load any commodities destined for Italy, Eritrea or Italian Somaliland.

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COMRADE DIMITROFF'S REPORT ON FASCISM

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UNITY OF ANTI-FASCIST FORCES IS NEEDED

Working Class Unity—Bulwark Against Fascism. Report by George Dimitroff to the Seventh World Congress of the Communist International. Workers Library Publishers, New York City; 71 pp., price 5 cents.

This is the second edition of Comrade Dimitroff's report to the Seventh World Congress which was held in Moscow from July 25 to Aug. 30, 1935. Ten copies of this pamphlet are to be sold by each Communist Party member in District 13 in the first sales drive.

Outlines for unit discussion of Comrade Dimitroff's report are to be distributed in the near future. No pamphlet since Olgin's "Why Communism" has so completely fired the imagination of American workers. Party members and non-Party members. Its historic importance is incalculable, coming as it does, at a time when the fascist forces of world capitalism are beginning to emerge more clearly from the anarchy of a system that has already, so to speak, seen the handwriting on the wall.

* Bosses Need Fascism.

The bourgeoisie needs fascism now, as badly as it needs wars and militarized police. The wide revolutionization of the masses of workers under capitalism has demonstrated this need to the imperialist rulers. And in a number of countries, notably Germany and Italy, the ruling class has succeeded in putting over its fascist rule. They did this before the workers and small farmers and liberals had turned decisively toward revolution.

But fascism victorious, demonstrates the weakness of the proletariat, disorganized and paralyzed by the policies of reformism, of class collaboration. Fascism victorious also attests the weakness of the bourgeoisie itself, which fears a realization of the united front of the working class, a united front which inevitably leads up the path of revolution to the final victory of the workers and farmers.

* Workers Need Unity.

Is the slogan of the United Front merely "another Communist maneuver?" Some of the opponents of the United Front declare it is. "But if it is a maneuver," Comrade Dimitroff replies, "Why don't you expose the 'Communist maneuver' by your honest participation in a united front?"

"We declare frankly," Dimitroff says, "We want unity of action by the working class, so that the proletariat may grow strong in its struggle against the bourgeoisie, in order that while defending today its current interests against

attacking capitalism, against fascism, the proletariat may be in a position tomorrow to create the preliminary conditions for its final emancipation."

* Must Include Communists.

One by one Comrade Dimitroff answers the stock objections which confused and reactionary opponents alike, make against a united front which includes the Communists. He shows that all these arguments against the united front will not bear the slightest criticism. They are the excuses of cowards and reactionary leaders of Social Democracy, who prefer a comfortable united front with the ruling class to one of serious action with the proletariat.

And what about the possibilities of fascist rule in America?

"It is a peculiarity of the development of American fascism," Dimitroff declares, "that at the present stage it appears principally in the guise of an opposition to fascism, which it accuses of being an 'un-American' tendency imported from abroad." The Chester Rowells and the William Randolph Hearsts of the West Coast demonstrate this most effectively in their silly opposition to "both 'isms'—Communism and fascism."

* Fascism Can Be Stopped.

On page 13 of this pamphlet Comrade Dimitroff asks the question, "Is the victory of Fascism inevitable?"

WORKERS' OPEN FORUM

WE GET INTO THE CCC, TOO

Fresno, Calif.

Editor, Western Worker: Since I recently enrolled into the CCC, I have been unable to make the most of my subscription to the Western Worker. I have no place to receive it and no place to read it. I think I should appreciate it very much if you could mail my copy to Mr. ... He is a student at the University there and would appreciate the Western Worker, though he is not yet able to subscribe to it. I wish to say that I have enjoyed the Western Worker in the last few months more than any periodical I have ever read. I hope that in the near future I may be able to send you news of the CCC.

Thanking you for your courtesy and hoping that you can do this for me, I remain,

M. E.

P.S.—It might interest you to know that I have made a habit of passing my Western Worker to four or five student friends and then when it is returned I put it in a file as I prize the Western Worker very highly.

"Whether the victory of fascism can be prevented," he answers, "depends in the first place on the militant activity displayed by the working class itself, on whether its forces are welded into a single militant army combatting the offensive of capitalism and fascism."

The second provision for preventing fascist rule is a strong revolutionary party, correctly leading the workers in their struggle against fascism. Third, there must be a correct policy towards the farmers and the professional and middle class masses of the town. And fourth, the revolutionary proletariat must exercise vigilance and take action at the proper time.

* Required Reading.

Comrade Dimitroff's report is required reading for every Communist Party member. But it must go far and away beyond the Communist Party. And there are millions of workers, small farmers, intellectuals and white collar workers who need this clear-cut report and analysis—and will read it if it is put into their hands.

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FROM A WHITE COLLAR WORKER

San Francisco.

To my employer: I am angry because you force me to contribute to the Community Chest. Certainly I know babies are starving and I know more and more babies will starve just so long as all disgusted humanity does not organize and in unison demand the right of a wholesome existence on this earth for every working man and woman.

You and your family exist lavishly and it spoils your good times to be reminded that babies are starving all around you. So once a year you allow yourselves to be heralded as the saviors of the lives of the babies, some of whom may some day be privileged to work for you at starvation wages.

Once a year you remember us, your underfed employees, and force us to contribute "voluntarily" to the Community Chest so that starving babies may get a chance to live and later force your starving employees out on the street. F.S.U.

World Events

By Emmett Kirby

Laval Attempts to Spike League's Peace Moves

Slowing down to a snail's pace, the League of Nations lengthily considers matters and delays actions while day by day the fascist military machine, the most modern yet to take the field, continues to forge into Ethiopia over a path of massacred men unarmed to meet their advance.

And quite as though the League sanctions were intended to be little more than a gesture to appease the smaller nation members, Laval of France now comes out with proposals which show that collective action for world boycott may be substituted by old world, behind-the-scenes intrigue.

Reports Tuesday bring the startling news that he offers Mussolini a part of Ethiopia if he will not take it all, and will bend all efforts to get Britain to withdraw its fleet from the Mediterranean if he will halt the fascist offensive at lines which give Mussolini a third of Ethiopia and connect Eritrea with Italian Somaliland. In addition to this he proposes to give ten days in which to consider the matter—and let his armies advance further—before going forward with the slow moving application of economic and financial sanctions.

Britain is supposed to show good faith by withdrawing her fleet, and her imperialist interests be satisfied by the fact that the Lake Tsana regions which irrigate the Sudan cotton fields will remain as is, under Ethiopian rule.

In other words, Britain, France and Italy will let together in private conferences and settle the looting of Ethiopia and let the League of Nations and the splendid example of collective action in the interest of peace go to pot.

The offer is on a par with the treachery of certain Ethiopian chiefs who have deserted to the Italian side, bought off by fascist gold and promises of high position under an Italian government.

Only slightly less rotten is the appeal of the United States, and other countries, that Addis Ababa should not be bombed—constituting, as it does, tacit approval of the war except for some details. And by way of aiding that, the capitalist press is giving full measure of support to the fascist offensive—the most bestial ever launched against an unarmored and unarmed people—by printing on their front pages all the atrocious stories that come out of the Italian propaganda headquarters in Rome or Africa.

* Hearst.

Hearst, of course, is particularly bad in this. His office boy, Arthur Brisbane wrote Tuesday for the nationwide chain of Hearst sheets:

"Clearing out a rattlesnake's den would be criminal compared with clearing out the hideous brutalities of Ethiopian savagery." This climaxed half a column of the old atrocity stuff that used to be printed concerning the Germans in Belgium—mutilation and cutting off of hands and wrists as practised by the side you are against.

Floyd Gibbons, in the S. F. Call-Bulletin makes it a practice in his dispatches from the Italian army headquarters to include items of the same character. To people who are not well acquainted with Gibbons' value to Hearst as a war correspondent-propagandist, the insertion of these bits into what seems to be a straight news report, carries an air of authority.

Wars are never pretty, but if the Ethiopians can concoct anything to equal Mussolini's use of gas attacks and flame throwers on an unarmed people, who did not mobilize until after the attack got under way, as a move hoping toward peace, or if they can do anything worse than the bombing of defenseless villages, the world will certainly have reached a new low. But such a thing is impossible.

What will come of Laval's new frantic efforts remains to be seen. Their immediate effect is to slow down even more the one organization which has the potentialities of bringing Mussolini to his knees and staving off another world war. And in doing this it strikes a treacherous blow—not at war profits you may be sure—but at the League's possibilities of any effective action in future crises.